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BUSINESS SPECIALS.
Under this head business notices inserted
at one cent per line. Seven words to the line.
Bicycle pants at J. W. Swan & Co's.
J. Wesley Swan will operate, May 10
to 20th. This is all the operating Mr.
Swan will do in Norway, this season.
Go straw hats, all the new shapes, at
the Blue Store.
Every lady should be on hand at Mer-
ritt Welch's, May 25th, to attend the great
sartorial sale.
Boys knee pants 25c. at J. W. Swan &
Co's, cheap at 50c.
May 10th to 20th, premiums given
away with photographs, and prices cut
to pieces—10 days only.
Bicycle suits, hose and caps at Noyes
& Andrews Blue Store.
Get your dresses ready for new dark
backgrounds with the velvet finish. May
10th to 20th.
When your watch needs repairing, why
not bring it to H. H. Bankman, the watch
expert, opposite Elm House.
Fancy suits 50c. at Norway Clothing
House.
The place to buy rods, reels, lines,
lures, flies, leaders, creels, bait-boxes,
nets, black fly cream, etc., is at F. P.
Stones.
Call and see the new bicycle sweater
at J. W. Swan & Co's.
Before you buy your suit, look at the
Blue Store collection, great values for you.
Don't forget that the quality of our
suits is as good as the best and our
prices lower than the lowest at Burn-
ham's, the Jeweler's, opposite Elm House.
A new graduating class will have
their class photographs made, May 10th,
at George St. Studio. Reduction of
prices for 10 days.
Mrs. F. C. Sawyer has opened dress-
making, sewing over Hobbs' Variety
store where she would like to see her
old customers.
We must have \$500.00 in the next 30
days. We have the goods, you have the
money and we are prepared to offer bar-
gains that are bargains at Burnham's,
the Jeweler's.

Subscription Rates.
2 months, 25 cents.
3 months, 35 cents.
4 months, 45 cents.
5 months, 55 cents.
6 months, 65 cents.

NUMBER 19.

The Elm House roof has been re-
shingled.
E. G. Rounds is finishing two new
chambers in his house.
Large amounts of water are now run-
ning over the falls dam.
Mrs. W. J. Jones is at Dover, N. H.,
where her mother is sick.
About thirty of our citizens heard
Sousa's band, at Lewiston, Saturday
night.
The open cars will be seen on the
street railway as soon as the paint is
sufficiently dried.
Charles Walker is building a new
house for C. W. Willey & Son. It will
be one and one-half stories and have
seven rooms.
William C. Cole tells us that caterpil-
lars are growing more numerous. He
has destroyed nineteen nests in one tree,
this spring.
George Bartlett from Portland is work-
ing for Littlewood, the barber. He
comes from Bosworth's, one of the best
shops in New England.
Leon L. Russell's new house is grow-
ing finely. It is one and one-half stories
and contains seven rooms. A two-stall
stable will be connected.
Charles H. Adams is making the
changes on A. L. F. Pike's residence.
Within is a thorough remodeling, and
addition of a tower.
Mrs. Susan P. Kelley has bought a lot
of Jonathan Blake and is preparing to
have a house built on it. It is on the
west side of the Rumford road, a short
distance above the railroad.
A. J. Avery of Lynn, Mass., has in-
vented a ladder for fruit picking. You
stand on a shelf-form which rises and
falls at will. It was patented, last Sep-
tember, and Mr. Avery is selling the
right to use the patent.
Saturday night, at the annual meeting
of Norway Pine Grove Cemetery Asso-
ciation, these officers were chosen:
President, S. A. Bennett.
Clerk, William C. Cole.
Treasurer, S. A. Bennett.
Directors, Jonathan Blake, John L. Horne,
Francis A. Danforth, S. A. Bennett, Isaac
N. Small.
The Norway delegation of Masons at
Portland have been fortunate in se-
curing for three of their number four
important offices. Alfred S. Kimball is
Senior Grand Warden of the Grand
Lodge and Junior Vice President of the
Order of High Priesthood, Howard D.
Smith is Grand Scribe of the Grand
Chapter, and Bial F. Bradbury is Grand
Master of Ceremonies in the Grand
Council.

Given's Grand Concert.
In Aid of the Norway High School Li-
brary—At Opera House—Next Monday
Night.
Arrangements have been completed
for this grand concert, and the following
is a correct list of the talent:
Lillian Beare, soprano soloist. She was one
of the favorite singers in the Calahan opera
company.
Mrs. Frank Kimball, soprano soloist.
Lillian Beare, soprano soloist.
George A. Briggs, baritone soloist.
Little Isabelle Wade, 8 years old, the "mid-
dle" violinist.
Gertrude McCarde and Evangeline A. Bal-
lard, violinists.
Carrie B. Manchester, violinist.
Prof. R. B. Hall, cornet soloist, and one of
the greatest march composers.
Norway and South Paris Branch of the Maine
Music Festival Association; Marcus H. Car-
roll, director.
Stearns & Norwicks' full orchestra.
The Crescent Male Quartet—Winslow
H. Cook, first tenor; Hamblet C. Howe, second
tenor; Walter S. Stearns, first bass; Fred E.
Hall, second bass.
Given's full Orchestra of Portland.
Mrs. George A. Briggs, accompanist.
With that array of talent it is not sur-
prising to find that the program is elab-
orate. We give it:

PART I.
Overture..... Offenbach
Consented orchestras, directed by Fred
A. Given.
The Arrow and the Song..... Pinsuti
The Blue Belles of Scotland..... Harris
Happy Days..... Strazekki
Mr. Briggs, with violin and cello obligato
by Given and Whitman.
Cavatina..... Miss McCarde.
Duet, Springtime..... Pinsuti
Annie Laurie Fantasia..... A. E. Harris
Given's full orchestra, with piano and
Portland puppets and Orchestra Club.
PART II.
Les Marmouzes du Bois..... M. H. Carroll
Consolidated Orchestra directed by com-
poser.
Song, Selected..... Miss Beare.
Air Variations..... Chas. Dan-
iels.
On the Sea..... Dudley Buck
An Andant..... Jungmann
Pas des Fleurs..... Delibes
Souvenir..... Heed
1st Concerto..... De Beriot
Miss Ballard and Mr. Given, a solo
played by two violins in unison.
Triumphal Chorus..... Gounod
Full Chorus and Orchestra.

This will be the finest concert given in
Norway for years and no music lover
can afford to miss it. We expect to see
the Opera House crowded with an en-
thusiastic audience, on Monday evening.
Get your seats pegged early so as to
have good ones.
Half fare on the railroad from Port-
land and Bethel and stations between
those.
Superintendent Frank B. Lee of the
Norway and Paris Street Railway has
leased an acre of land on the upper side
of the street, a short distance below
Hicks crossing. It is a nice spot of hard,
dry soil, and is covered with a growth of
pine. Mr. Lee will fix it up as a pleas-
ure ground for the patrons of the rail-
way. In the warm weather they will
run excursions to this grove, where
various entertainments will be provided.
There will be swings in abundance for
all who wish for the exhilarating pas-
time of the next thing to flying. An
open-air music will be erected and with
band music and other pleasures be the
center of attraction in fair weather. Of
course there will be a stand for the sale
of confectionery, cool drinks, and a
pavilion for dancing is part of the plan.
The whole will be lighted with num-
bered electric lamps. Mr. Lee's well-
known ability for handling enterprises
of this kind makes it certain to be a
place where folks will like to go. His
principal assistant in the direction of
the affair will be Ernest M. Rowe, who is
a man fully capable of direct-
ing the amusements to be provided.
Work begins at once on the grounds.

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COURT OFFICERS.
Wm. P. Whitehouse, Presiding Justice.
Charles P. Whitman, Clerk.
J. S. Estes, Stenographer.
John S. Harlow, County Attorney.
Fred A. Porter, Sheriff.
Henry E. Hammond, Crier.
W. A. Barrows, Messenger.
H. G. Davis, Librarian.
Lucius H. Cross, Milton Penley, Deputy Sher-
iff in Attendance.

THE JURY.
Lucius H. McCollister of Canton was born in
that town, 43 years ago. He is a farmer and has
done much work as a surveyor of lumber.
Was educated at Union Academy. Taught
school for many years and has served on the
school board in his town. Has a wife and one
child. Is a Justice of the Peace. Democrat.
Baptist. He is foreman.

Parley S. Brown, one of the Browns of Brown-
field, is a native in his native town. He is mar-
ried. An ardent Republican.
Mason W. Hastings of Bethel was born in
that town, 31 years ago. Married and lives
on a farm. Republican, Methodist.

Lucien Foster is an old bachelor and was
born at Bethel, 41 years ago. Is a native of the
family farmers of Paris, Vermont.
Samuel J. Record of Oxford is one of the
best families in Sumner, but himself had the
best of it. Married and has five children. A
farmer and a Republican, Methodist.

Christy Fox, a stock and dairy farmer in
Fryeburg, a native of Jackson, N. H., and 38
years old. Married and has five children. A
farmer and a Republican, Methodist.

Edward K. Hanson comes from his native
town of Hiram, is a widower with three chil-
dren, and lives on a farm. Is a veteran of the
war and has an eye at Cedar Mountain.
Prohibitionist, Methodist.

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a farm in his native town of Bethel. Is a gradu-
ate of Bethel Academy, and has taught
thirty-five years of school, besides numerous
writing schools. Has a wife and two children.
Republican, Universalist.

Henry W. Bonney of East Sumner is a cap-
tain and millwright. He comes of one of the
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Republican, Universalist.

John F. Rounds is a farmer in his native town,
Sullivan, is 39 years old, has a wife and five chil-
dren. A Democrat.

Orna H. Saunders is a farmer in Albany, which
is his native town. 42 years old, has a wife and
three children. Republican.

Algeron G. Walker is a farmer in Lovell. Is
a native of Fryeburg and 39 years old. Family
consists of a wife and two children. Republi-
can, Universalist.

Gilman A. Whitman lives at Bryant's Pond
village, is 39 years old. Has a wife and three
children. A farmer and mechanic.
Served in the 23d Maine Volunteers, under Col.
William W. Vire. Republican, Universalist.

John F. Talbot is a farmer in Andover, the
town where he was born, 42 years ago. He is a
graduate of Washington Academy at East Ma-
chias. Is married and has three sons and two
daughters. Has been selectman of the town of
the Oxford North Agricultural Society, and
representative to the Maine State Board of
Agriculture. Democrat, Congregationalist.

Court opened, Tuesday morning, with the
usual proclamations by the clerk.
Rev. Thomas J. Ramsdell, pastor of the
South Paris Baptist church, implored di-
vine aid in administering justice. The
jury was impaneled and retired to their
room, where Lucius H. McCollister was
chosen foreman. The rest of the fore-
noon was occupied in calling the docket.
Not a great many cases were assigned
for trial but those which went on the
active list.

Tuesday afternoon was taken up with
the further assignment of cases. Nothing
of importance occurred. The matter
of memorial services in honor of the late
Sullivan R. Hutchins was assigned for
next term.

Wednesday morning, the first trial be-
gan. It is the case of Mary E. Gilbert
vs. Charles L. Smith. The plaintiff is
one of those whose property at Canton
was injured by the great flood of
March, 1896. Her store was destroyed and
otherwise damaged so that it is
claimed that the cost of repairs amount-
ed to \$1,200, which, with other expenses
and the fact that this is a test case makes
a suit of considerable moment. The de-
fendant owns a dam at the outlet of Lake
Anasagunticook. The plaintiff alleges
improper and dangerous construction of
that dam so that portions of it gave way
and let the flood against the plaintiff's
property. It is understood that the de-
fense will deny liability and contend
that it was impossible to create adequate
safeguards against such a phenomenal
force of water. Hon. James S. Wright
and Hon. Albert B. Savage are attorneys
for the prosecution. Mr. Wright opened
the case, with a lengthy and carefully
prepared statement of the plaintiff's
claims. The attorneys for the defense
are Hon. Oscar H. Hersey and ex-Gov-
ernor Henry B. Cleaves. The case is ex-
pected to occupy the rest of this week.
The other cases which will be heard at
this term are given below. The dates
when they are assigned are all in next
week:

SOUTH PARIS.
J. H. Bean spent Saturday in Portland.
Dr. Rankin of Mechanic Falls was in
town, Wednesday.
The final work of grading the county
lot is in progress.
Harry Shorey of Bowdoin College visited
W. L. Gray, last week.
C. S. Richardson has sprung up Moore
park for the spring opening.
Mark Shaw has moved to Wallace
Everett's farm near Paris Hill.
W. H. Winchester is manufacturing a
nice polish for metal and glass.
Mrs. N. S. Baker of Norway spent last
week at Chaucery Richardson's.
Clark Mitchell will soon begin to run
an ice cream cart in this village.
Miss Shaw has moved her family from
the Ames Hill road to Paris Hill.
J. Fred Henry and family have been
visiting his old home in Whitefield.
Sylvan Shurtlett and wife have taken
a cottage at Willard for the summer.
The water pipe leading to Lamb's
store has been dug up and repaired.
Presiding Elder J. A. Corey preached to
the Methodists, Sunday forenoon.
George Clifford attended the Y. O. G.
T. Grand Lodge at Portland, last week.
George W. Cook has broken ground
for another new house on Western Ave-
nue.

Judge Whitehouse is a hustler and keeps things moving at a lively gait.

The Gilbert-Smith case may take the whole of this week, and the Judge hopes that another week will finish the business.

Judge Foster, referee, has awarded \$205 to plaintiff in the Rumford Falls case of S. W. Foster & Co. vs. A. Z. Cates and wife. This was a suit to enforce builder's lien for materials and labor in constructing a block.

The Canton dam case is before a jury containing several of the superannuaries. The foreman pro tem. is P. S. Brown. The case is a firestone one and draws but few spectators. One of those fell asleep in court, Wednesday.

Albert B. Savage is closely eyed by the spectators. His expected appointment to the Supreme Bench is the reason. This is probably the last time he will sit on the bench. Ex-Governor Cleaves also is a conspicuous object of interest.

L. R. Weld, a native of Dixfield, is in attendance at court. Mr. Weld is a member of the St. Louis County bar in Minnesota and has been in practice at Du-
rham, N. H. He first of the West and con-
templates rebuilding in his native Dixfield, which, after all, is about as good as is made.

The Examining Committee of the bar consists of Judge George A. Wilson, Jas. S. Wright and Addison E. Herriek. They have propounded questions to two candidates, the terms Edgar and Simpson, who has studied with Herriek & Park at Bethel, and Albert J. Stearns who has studied with Judge Seward S. Stearns of Norway.

We noticed these attorneys in attend-
ance:
Geo. D. Bisbee, Rumford Falls.
Thos. S. Bridgman, Bethel.
Eugene F. Smith, Norway.
Charles E. Holt, Norway.
John P. Swasey, Canton.
S. W. Wright, South Paris.
Judge Geo. A. Wilson, South Paris.
Judge Richard A. Frye, Bethel.
F. E. Tumblelake, Portland.
Addison E. Herriek, Bethel.
Edgar C. Park, Bethel.
Edward C. Herriek, Fryeburg.
John R. Trask, Dixfield.
Francis A. Fox, Keegan Falls.
Chas. C. Warren, Fryeburg.
Oscar H. Hersey, Bethel.
F. E. Tumblelake, Portland.
Edward C. Walker, Bridgton.
Seth F. Fife, Fryeburg.
Edgar F. Gentlemen, Keegan Falls.
Daniel J. Bailey, Berlin, N. H.
Henry A. Abbot, Bethel.
Harry R. Cleaves, Portland.
Harry R. Virgin, Portland.

William F. Jones has resigned as su-
perintendent of schools.
Herman L. Horne is shingling the roof
of the mill which he occupies.

Presiding Elder Corey preached in the
Methodist church, Sunday evening.
The first Italian organ grinder and his
wife arrived in town on Monday fore-
noon.

D. B. Morse attended the State coun-
cil of the O. U. A. M., in Lewiston, last
week.

Dr. B. F. Bradbury has set out a num-
ber of fine young trees on the lot west of
his residence.

Mrs. G. P. Jones and daughter, Mrs. G.
W. Holmes, are visiting at Rev. W.
Sawyer's, at Salmon Falls, N. H.

William C. Cole says that English spar-
rows occasionally get trapped on the
thorns of the honey locust trees near his
home.

Addison S. Bean of Mason called on
the ADVERTISER, Tuesday. Mr. Bean
has for years been one of the most ef-
ficient of the ADVERTISER's corps of local
correspondents and always has an inter-
esting story to tell when we meet.

Molly Ockett Tribe, I. O. R. M., had a
full gathering of braves at the council
hall, last Wednesday night. After the
arduous rites of a degree had been per-
formed, the braves had a feast which
was followed by a social hour. A. E. Morse
of South Paris was present and made
strange and marvellous stories of other
days.

The South Paris Minstrels ought to
draw a good audience at the Opera
House, this Friday evening. They are
the best singers and musicians and the
brightest people in South Paris, and can
be depended on to give a good entertain-
ment. We are informed that they have
a brand new lot of jokes especially
suited to Norway listeners. The pro-
gram is as follows:

PART I.
Opening Chorus, Countess Capers.....
Overture, Minstrel's Delight.....
End Song, Jolly Japs..... Mr. Howe
Ballad, Truly Will Be True..... Mr. Howe
End Song, It's Honey All the Time..... Mr. Howe
Ballad, Sweet Antoinette..... Mr. Cook
End Song, Dear Dana..... Mr. Briggs
Ballad, Dream of My Mother..... Mr. Briggs
End Song, Climb Up..... Mr. Hall
PART II.
Stump Speech, The Sun and Moon, Mr. Starbird
Banjo and Guitar, March Homeward.....
Messrs. Howe, Hall, Powers and Bigelow
Crescent Solo Quartette, Selection.....
Messrs. Cook, Howe, Hall and Bigelow
Cornet Solo, Selection..... Mr. Knapp
Dance..... Mr. Hall
Selection..... Mr. Hall
Parade, The Ticket Taker.....
Grand Cake Walk.....

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W. K. Hamlin of South Waterford
has leased our butter factory for two
years with the privilege of buying the
plant at any time during the two years
at a stipulated price. The Waterford
factory will, which has been con-
nected for fourteen years, has a wide
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The work on J. H. Bean's house is nearly completed. It is about a new house.

C. H. Lunt has bought the E. M. Thayer stand on Gothic Street and moved there.

Jerry Winslow's family have been quite sick with the grip, also Mrs. Frank Burbank.

Rev. I. A. Bean will begin a series of sermons on the Ten Commandments, next Sabbath.

Capt. H. N. Bolster and crew are shingling the roof of his big building on Market Square.

Mrs. Arthur S. Hall and little daughter of Buckfield are visiting at her father's, A. C. T. King's.

Friday there was a big brush fire back of A. W. Walker's. It took a big crew to successfully fight it.

The courthouse has a cellar drain now. It was needed because of springs in the solid ledge on which it is built.

Mrs. Almada Newton, who has been stopping with her brother, Stephen Kimball, has moved back to her old home.

The Board of Health contemplate a thorough investigation of every part of the town. Dr. Woodbury has been chosen chairman.

Joseph McKee whose house near Paris Hill was burned on Sunday, contemplates rebuilding. His friends are circulating a subscription paper in his behalf.

Mary Williams has been transferred from South Paris to Coaticook, P. Q. Her place at the telegraph machines in the depot is taken by freight clerk F. P. Chandler. The crew is reduced one.

PORTER NEIGHBORHOOD.—Mrs. M. E. Greely is at home.
School commenced, April 26th, with twelve scholars in attendance.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bridgman of Auburn recently visited at B. M. Greely's.

Mrs. M. E. Cummings is doing an extensive job in papering and painting in her residence.
E. F. Barrows sold his apple to M. E. Cummings. He had nearly 100 barrels in good condition.

Mrs. F. L. Adkins is expected to come, this week, from Portland, where she has been at the Maine General Hospital for medical treatment.
Ernest Jackson keeps a flock of about 1500. He thought they devoured a large lot of food and recently, while watching them, he saw nine rats, some very large fat ones, come out and eat, apparently much at home in dining with them. He has good success in trapping rats since then.

B. M. Greely hired two young men who were looking for work (2) last week, and set them at work on his woodpile. They soon departed which is only a repetition of the story, "Just tell them that you saw me, but you did not see me saw," except in this case they sawed enough wood to pay for their meals and left a very affectionate note.

WHITEHOUSE DISTRICT.—Melvin Mo-
rey is plowing for Joseph Briggs.
Joseph and Harriet Briggs, who have had a severe attack of grippe, are both able to be out.
A Wheeler, who received a severe cut in the leg from a grating chisel, is able to attend to his work again.

The condition of the roads is improv-
ing, the mud has almost disappeared but
all the mud had placed caused by the
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West Paris' Good Fortune.

Fortunate indeed is the town with a prosperous manufacturing industry. That all such towns have their ups and downs is true and especially so of West Paris. It has been a wood-working town for many years, and some half dozen years ago the manufacture of chairs gave employment to 150 or more hands. On the decline of this industry, the large shops that were occupied by the West Paris Mfg. Co. were left idle and have been so since, except the mill that has been occupied by H. G. Brown & Son for the manufacture of clapboards and special chair work.

For several years H. G. Brown has been looking about for some manufac-
turing business to come to West Paris
and occupy the vacant shops. Hearing
of some Massachusetts gentlemen that
were thinking of making wood bicycle
rims, Mr. Brown visited Salem, Mass.,
and became interested in some special
machinery designed for the speedy mak-
ing of wood rims. This was a year and
a half or more ago, and through the ef-
forts of Mr. Brown and his success in
painting the advantages of West Paris,
the industry became located there. A
corporation was formed with a capital
of \$20,000.00 (which has since been in-
creased to \$50,000.00) with A. T. Sloan
of Salem, Mass., President and General
Manager; Charles E. Monroe of Brook-
line, Mass., Treasurer; and these gentle-
men with H. G. Brown, Directors. This
corporation has the somewhat long name
of "The State of Maine Wood Rim Co."

They leased part of the buildings on
June 13th, 1896, and commenced opera-
tions with a floor space of some 5,000 ft.
They to-day occupy all the buildings
with floor space of 58,000 feet, and every
foot well utilized. They employed on
the start four men and that number has
been increased to sixty with a pay
roll of \$1800.00 each month and a good
prospect that they will double their em-
ployees in another season.

It is interesting to watch the process
by which rock maple and yellow birch
planks are made into bicycle rims. The
planks are stripped up and the strip is
steamed, bent and kiln dried, glued and
turned, sand papered and bored. Dur-
ing this process each rim is tested as it
passes from one hand to another, and,
after sorting, finishing and crating, is
ready to ship.

The present capacity is 1700 completed
rims per day. These are considered by
experts to be the best and only 3-ply
wooden rims made that will stand up
under the work required of them. They
these rims find ready sale is evident by
the quantity that are shipped not only
the length and breadth of the United
States, but to South Africa, Frankfort-
on-the-Main, Berlin, Paris and London.

It is the intention of the company
to increase the capacity of the factory to
3,000 rims per day, and special machinery
for that purpose is now being made.

That this industry is a big help to
West Paris goes without saying. The
business as now being done contributes
from \$20,000.00 to \$25,000.00 per year in
wages, while the lumber which is being
bought of the farmers in the near vicinity
amounts to some \$15,000.00 more. To
double the product of the factory as in-
tended will nearly double the output of
money.

Principal Flood of Gould Academy
visited at Brunswick, Saturday.
May 18 and 19, the Oxford County W.
C. T. U. will meet in this village.

S. A. Brock has bought a farm in
Hanover and will go there to live.
Fred Chandler has been promoted
from freight clerk to telegraph operator.

Fred M. Allen of Portland made a fly-
ing trip to this place, Monday, and saw
some of his friends.
Capt. R. H. Grover and wife of Brock-
ton, Mass., will not visit Bethel, this
summer, but take instead a European
trip.

The Maine Missionary Society and the
auxiliary to the Women's Board of For-
eign Missions meet in Garland Chapel,
Friday afternoon.

Mark T. Wright recently died at Mellan,
Idaho. He had been in the West for
more than thirty years and was engaged
in silver mining.

The annual meeting of the Bethel Li-
brary Association was held on Monday
evening. The Association is out of debt,
has 1,700 volumes in its collection of

SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

OXFORD LODGE, F. & A. M., No. 18. meets in Masonic Hall, Monday evening, on or before full moon. Chas. F. Kidron, W. M.; H. D. Smith, Sec'y.

UNITED ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 36. meets in Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening, on or before full moon. B. F. Bradbury, H. E.; H. D. Smith, Sec'y.

OXFORD LODGE, No. 16, I. O. O. F., meets in Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening, on or before full moon. Seward S. Stearns, Ven. Pat.; Morton L. Kimball, Recorder.

WILDER ENCAMPMENT, No. 21, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. Eugene E. Flood, C. P.; G. G. Mason, Sec'y.

MR. HOVE REBEKAH LODGE, No. 88, I. O. O. F., meets in Old Fellows' Hall the first and third Friday evenings of each month. Ella H. Hartman, N. G.; Olive A. Woodsum, Rec. Sec'y.

HARRY REST POST, No. 54, G. A. R., meets in G. A. R. Hall, on the third Friday evening of each month. M. E. Kimball, Com.; S. A. Bennett, Adj.; W. S. Cordwell, Q. M.

PENNSYLVANIA LODGE, No. 18, K. of P., meets in their hall, Hathaway Block, every Monday evening. Lee M. Watson, C. G.; Merton L. Kimball, K. of R. & S.

A. O. NOYES COMMANDERY, No. 22, U. R. K. of F., meets in Pythian Hall, the third Friday in each month. At J. Rowe, Sir Knight Captain; Wesley H. Ginn, Sir Knight Recorder.

NORWAY COMMANDERY, No. 24, U. R. K. of F., meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings of each month. Geo. L. Jackson, C. G.; Lucinda M. Merriam, K. of R.

LAKEVIEW LODGE, No. 17, N. E. O. F., meets in G. A. R. Hall, the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month. G. Julian Brown, warden; Mrs. O. A. Holden, secretary.

SNOWY BROOK LODGE, No. 11, N. E. O. F., meets at Grand Army Hall, South Paris, the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month. W. F. Blake, warden; Mrs. E. D. Swain, secretary.

NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS COUNCIL, No. 10, O. U. A. M., meets at G. A. R. Hall, South Paris, every Monday night at 8 o'clock. G. H. Wyman, councilor; B. R. Howard, recording secretary.

PURIST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH. Services begin at 10:30. Sunday school at 12, and Young People's Christian Union at 7 o'clock. Strangers are cordially invited.

BAPTIST CHURCH. Rev. J. A. Harding, Pastor. Preaching service at 2 o'clock, P. M.; Sabbath School at 3 o'clock, P. M.; Prayer-meeting, Friday, 7:30, P. M.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Rev. Marcus H. Carroli, A. B., Pastor. Services held in Ryerson Hall, Norway, Me. Morning service and sermon at 10:30 a. m. cordial invitation extended to all—sent from 21.

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The Childrens' Corner.

Paris, Me., April 27, 1897.

DEAR EDITOR:—It has been quite a long while since I wrote a letter in the Childrens' Corner, so I thought I would write a few lines as I have a few young ones to spare. For a while I have been writing little chickens and I have got a cow; her name is Daisy. My school is keeping; my teacher's name is Blanche Chase. I like her very much. I study third name reader, large arithmetic, large geography and grammar, physiology and spelling and writing. I think the answer to Gwendolyn Stearns' riddle is a blackberry. I will close with a riddle. A man went into the woods and made a bench. How many sat on it? If this escapes the wastebasket I will write again some time. Goodbye, from your little friend, LENA M. BARTLETT, Age, 11.

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STATE OF MAINE. April 21st, A. D. 1897. This is to give notice, That on the 18th day of April, A. D. 1897, a warrant in insolvency was issued out of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford, against the estate of Lewis B. Spaulding, of Hebron, Maine, adjudged to be an Insolvent Debtor, on petition of J. A. D. 1897, at which said Court, on the 18th day of April, A. D. 1897, to which last named date interest on claims is to be computed.

That the payment of any debts and the delivery and transfer of any property belonging to said debtor, to him or for his use, and the delivery and transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law, and that the Creditors of said Debtor, to prove their debts and choose one or more Assignees of his estate, will be held at Court of Insolvency, to be holden at Paris in said County, on the 10th day of May, A. D. 1897, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under my hand the date first above written. A. F. WARREN, Deputy Sheriff, for said County of Oxford. 18-20

PROBATE NOTICES. To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven. The following matter having been presented for the action thereon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the OXFORD COUNTY ADVERTISER, newspaper published at Norway, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the 10th day of May, A. D. 1897, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

BAILEY KNIGHT, late of Fryeburg, deceased. Petition for appointment of administrator, presented by Elmer W. Knight.

GEORGE SHEDD, late of Waterford, deceased. Petition for distribution presented by John Z. Shedd, administrator.

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SARAH BEAVER, late of Hebron deceased. First and final account presented for allowance by Gideon Beaver, administrator.

LAVINIA SMITH, late of Norway, deceased. First and final account presented for allowance by Sebastian S. Smith, executor.

SEWARD S. STEARNS, Judge of said Court. A true copy—ALBERT D. PARK, Register. 18-20

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A Noted Musician—He Learned the Printer's Business in Norway.

Walter Lewis is well known in this vicinity as a musician and the following sketch from "Swan's Amateur," a paper devoted to sports I have copied at Beloit, Wis., will be of interest:

"The subject of this sketch was born in Haverhill, Mass., nearly forty-five years ago, and while yet a child his parents removed to Lyman, a small country town in Maine, residing there for about eight years, when they removed to the flourishing town of Pittston, on the banks of the Kennebec river directly opposite the enterprising city of Gardiner, where at that time existed one of the best bands in the entire State, under the leadership of Mr. James W. McDonald, an Edinburgh player of much ability and extended reputation. An opportunity soon offered for young Lewis to join this band, of which he was not slow in availing himself, choosing as his first instrument the most despised Bb bass, which he soon mastered, and was shortly promoted to 2d tenor, which part he carefully rendered, although at first he liked none of the first. At the age of sixteen he took up the study of the double bass, and was soon a member of the local orchestra. Shortly after this he was offered the position of baritone in the band, and as this was exactly what he had been wishing for, he accepted at once, and was soon counted one of the best baritone players in Northern New England. He remained in Gardiner for some years, although the local band went out of existence, and he joined the band of Hallowell, a quiet city some four miles farther north, under the leadership of Albert H. Davis, playing 1st trombone. His reputation as a trombone player in band and orchestra grew rapidly, and he was offered numerous engagements in various parts of the State, many of which he was obliged to decline, as, having lucrative employment at home, he could not afford to risk losing it by absence. He had intervals given the concert consideration, but found that his ambouche was unsuited to the instrument and rarely used it except when called upon to instruct some one of the many small bands which were within easy reach, and for which occupation he evinced marked aptitude.

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CHAPTER I.

The cab fairly lurched over the muddy road. It seemed as if the jaded horse was doomed to crawl on so forever. Raindrops pattered with a dainty cadence upon the glass and broke into little streams following wavering courses. To the two women sitting within there was a suggestion of the thin fog curling in the air, occasional glimpses of empty lots, factories and electric lights that burned in the opaque dusk like huge brilliants set in a misty haze.

Another lunge of the wheels into one of the ruts in the neglected road, and then a word in scathing accents left Mrs. Ventnor's lips for perhaps the twentieth time that afternoon.

"Provincial!"

The girl sitting opposite to her smiled, her superb eyes softly shining as she looked at the wet panes and unlabeled street.

"Provincial, yes. But I like it. After all, France, you oughtn't to mind a few stumbles. The pavements of New York are no better. I can recall one place at Fifth avenue and—"

"Oh, it isn't the pavements," exclaimed the other, with a shiver that made her marionette rustle. "It's—the everything. It's that horrid ferry; the mean little streets; the dead and alive tone of the place. It's being away from every one one likes, every one one knows."

"That particular corner table in Delmonico's? I see it in my eye. Poor old France, how will you exist without it here?"

"Yes, and all the rest of it. The New York tone, the elevated roads, the very cobblestones, the bohemian esprit de corps. Can you define the charm of a big town—the throbs and thrills vibrating in the atmosphere—the succession of faces and gestures seen for a second and then probably lost sight of forever? Oh, there's such an intoxication in feeling only a drop in the ocean, Marian, dear. You'll miss it too. And to think that this town is only a few miles from New York. It seems absurd."

Marian rubbed her daintily gloved fingers over the glass and peered out. She was very beautiful, with slow moving, mysterious eyes, a laughing mouth, a patrician air.

"I'm going to love it. This is only the outskirts. Wait until you see Maceon place."

With an impetuous movement she leaned forward and seized the older woman's hands in a grasp that was fierce.

"I'm so glad to leave all that other life that you regret. We can go back if I change my mind, you old dear. But you mustn't run away and leave me. And in the meantime this little place I've leased means peace. It means a domain where I am to be absolute mistress. Why, France, for the first few months I think I'll just lie on a couch by the long window and watch the trees blossom in my little garden. Her voice was like velvet, with underlying passion delicately suggested.

"And you won't regret any of all these you know?" And Mrs. Ventnor shook her head wonderingly.

"No," with a curl of her lip.

"And you are honestly tired of gayety so soon?"

"Desperately."

"It's unusual for young women to arrive at the conclusion that 'all is vanity' so early. Sometimes I think you are 100 instead of 24. Then again you act like a child of 6 or a fool. When I think of the chances you've thrown away, Dick Osborn, old Westford, little Chaucery Frere, all wild about you, money galore. Oh, you can be such a fool!"

Marian laughed merrily and threw back her head. For a moment a child making cowpox balls could not have looked more innocently gay.

"And I've given them all the slip. One will go to Rome to find me, another to Paris, another to the Yosemite. What a lark! Pish, how tired I had grown of them! They served to amuse me, one after the other, but I want no other entanglement. I've had one—and there is nothing so nauseating as facing the living reminder of a dead fancy. Henceforth I'll keep love at arm's length."

Mrs. Ventnor leaned back with a tolerant smile, slightly tempered with weariness. A moment later the cab came to a standstill.

"Here we are at Maceon place." And Marian threw open the door. "Oh, how pretty it is! I dare you to deny its beauty. See, we are advanced enough to have an electric light on the corner, conveniently near my gate, and it makes the raindrops on my garden—mark the possessive case?—sparkle like gems."

Before them stretched a row of quaint, red brick houses, all exactly alike, with trim gardens sloping down to the iron palings that divided them from the street. There was a woodland glimmer over this tree shaded corner of the town, a springtime charm, that was restful and sweet.

Between wheezy groans and little exclamations Mrs. Ventnor collected her pug, her novel, her foot warmer, her longnette. She dropped them all on the hearth rug before the open fire that filled the old-fashioned hall with golden light, making mysterious shadows steal like great, eager fingers up the winding stairs. Marian threw off her cloak, and, turning up her young figure placed her hands independently on her hips.

"It's not half bad, is it?"

"No," with a slow doubtfulness that

ended in a sigh of content.

"And it's aesthetic from the front door to the attic windows," continued Marian, with an egregious self-satisfaction that was contagious. "I selected everything myself and kept the Philistines from leaving their trail upon the place. But the fun of it is that the people in the other houses don't know what to make of me. I've always come veiled and rushed in and out quickly. I want them to think me a horrid woman, thoroughly undesirable."

"And why, pray?" asked Mrs. Ventnor drowsily.

"So they won't force their acquaintance upon me. I've come to escape people. I don't want to love my neighbor."

"I dare say they are all very ordinary, have never been off their native heath—no breadth of vision, probably!"

"I can fancy their faces if they chanced upon you with a cigarette and one of Zola's!" And Marian held up her hands as she drew off her gloves.

"Fancy people living who take the trouble to object to such things! It must be a great bother to have principles." And as Mrs. Ventnor swept around to examine a piece of dim tapestry on the wall she gave an unconscious sigh.

"I don't know how you feel, Marian, darling, but I'm hungry. Do insinuate dinner upon the table. I hope you have something fit to eat!"

"I promise you a sweetbread Del couldn't improve on. For your sake I searched far and near until I found a good cook. Come along and dress."

Marian passed her arm round her companion's ample waist, and so for the first time they went up the stairs together.

A little later Mrs. Ventnor was struggling into a close fitting bodice of brocade and jet.

"What nonsense to dress, and we all alone in this wilderness, but Marian is a fanciful creature, so fond of effect."

Her large, lazy eyes, with little pouches under them, indicating years and high living, glanced complacently around the beautiful room. What could be more inviting than the wood fire keeping off the March chill, the sheepskin rug, the gray crape hangings embroidered with green butterflies, the heap of novels on the little Chippendale desk that mirrored the flame in its polished wood? Marian had forgotten nothing.

"How long will this fancy last?" she thought as she dusted her chin with rice powder. "It's silly of me. But it's sheer madness on Marian's part."

She paused to rub a little black cosmetic to the rim of her heavy lids, and then stepped back to observe the effect.

"With her beauty and youth, to bury herself like this! She has a queer streak in her. This is March. Ten to one we'll be on an ocean steamer in July. Monte Carlo after this experiment will possess the refreshing qualities of a Roman Punch in the middle of a heavy dinner."

A white hand drew the gray green portiere at the door aside, and Marian stepped in.

She was supremely lovely in dead white draperies. No stiff bodice hid the beauty of her bust, around which she had tightly wrapped a crape scarf heavy with silver embroidery, and from this to her feet the sheer, crinkled stuff fell down in folds that might fittingly have covered the limbs of a goddess. White throat and arms were bare of jewels, but a diamond star burned in the dusky masses of her hair.

"There was something strange, almost repellent, in her beauty. Her mouth was both scornful and laughing, the upper lip a little fuller than the under, and gave her face a mischievous, alluring expression; the faint glow on her smooth cheeks was like the reflection of fire on snow; her shadowy eyes were filled with a cynical light, as if they mocked at herself and all the world. With the suggestion that there were depths in her soul yet unsounded, her face for all its beauty was soulless and the light in her eyes was cold."

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"I am only wondering if there was a romance attached to that old murder, and if I will ever find it out."

"A murder? Good heavens—where?"

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Coming Events.

May 7.—The South Paris Minstrels, "The Ebony Kings," Norway, Orono.
May 10.—Arctic Day.
May 10.—Norway school benefit concert, under direction of Prof. Fred A. Given.
May 12.—Assassination Sunday School Convention, East Sweden.
May 20.—Memorial Day.
June 4.—Norway high school graduation.
June 8.—State Assessors' meeting, Fryeburg.
June 9.—State Assessors' meeting, South Paris.
June 11.—State Assessors' meeting, Rumford.

New Advertisements.

Legal notices.
Summer boarders.
Notice of partnership.
For sale, plow, cultivator, etc.
Girls wanted.—B. F. Spinney & Co.
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Fishing tackle, etc.—Noyes Drug Store.
Norway Clothing House, J. W. Swan & Co.
Fashionable millinery.—Mrs. E. M. Harmon.

A post-office has been established in Riley, Oxford county, and David Watson has been appointed postmaster.

We recently visited C. H. Eaton's furniture store at Harrison and found a whole building filled with useful and ornamental furniture. Mr. Eaton says customers come to his store from a long distance as prices are low and goods the best.

C. E. Stuart of Bolster's Mills, who has been in trade some years in general merchandise, has taken Ernest L. Gay of Casco into partnership with him. After the 10th of this month no credit will be given but it will be cash as you buy. See notice elsewhere.

Fryeburg.

The schools opened, May 3.
Mr. Gerry spent the past week in Boston.
Chas. W. Woodward is at B. B. Woodward's.

Ruth Glines is acting as clerk for Mrs. M. B. Barker.
Robert and Ruth Locke have been in town for a week's visit.

W. H. Tarbox made a short visit at his home here, last week.

Martha Howe returned to her school in Portland, last Saturday.

B. T. Newman, the artist, is building a camp at Lovewell's pond.

Rev. E. H. Abbott has been chosen a member of the school board.

Mrs. W. R. Tarbox is home from a visit of several weeks in Boston.

Moses Harriman is able to be out of doors once more after recovering from a serious fall.

The ladies of the Congregational society gave an entertainment at the vestry, last Friday evening.

Mrs. Frank Locke, Miss Locke and Hattie Abbott were in Portland, last week, to attend the Calve concert.

Mrs. B. N. Stone and Mrs. J. L. Eastman entertained the members of the New Church Circle in the Hall, Thursday evening.

An interesting meeting of the Woman's Club was held, Friday afternoon, in charge of Miss Woodward. The programme included papers, readings and a delightful talk on "Travels in Europe," given by Miss E. F. Tibbatts.

East Oxford.

Mrs. James Given has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Moors, in Otisfield.

Amasa Paine, who has been quite sick with spinal trouble, is improving slowly.

Will Slatery of Sumner is at work for Wm. N. Thomas, this spring and summer.

Wm. F. Caldwell is having his shed shingled. Walter Canwell is doing the work.

A. J. Billings and sister Abigail are visiting their sister, Mrs. D. S. White at Lisbon Falls.

School commenced in district No. 3, April 26, with Mabel Mont of Welchville as teacher; also in district No. 7 with Annie Estes as teacher.

Summer Wardwell of Otisfield was in this place, last week. He bought a cow, calf and six hogs of C. H. Flood and some of Wm. N. Thomas.

Waterford.

L. G. Stone is painting his house.

Schools through the town started in, Monday.

Mrs. L. G. Stone fell and injured herself quite severely, a few days ago.

Louise M. Brown commenced her tenth consecutive term of school in this village, Monday.

Dr. Walker has been in town, this week, attending to a sick horse belonging to W. V. Kneeland.

The railroad men have been through the place and left another row of stakes. We hope the road will materialize in the near future.

Mrs. F. M. Atherton met with quite a severe accident, last Thursday evening. She was returning from the Reading Club and in the dark stepped into a hole in the road, spraining her ankle very badly. She is not able to get up at all.

It was our privilege, last Sunday, to listen to an address, on Odd Fellows, delivered before Oxford Lodge, I. O. O. F., at North Waterford, by Rev. Miss Angell of Norway. It was a masterly effort and worthy the great cause of brotherly love and also of the eminent divine who gave it, showing great depth of research and knowledge of the Order. I wish there were more such ministers in the world.

BRYANT'S POND.

E. Crooker and family are slowly improving.

Stella Russ has finished work for Mrs. Andrew Hill and gone home.

Mrs. M. M. Hathaway is still very sick. She has the sympathy of all in our little village.

Mrs. Mamie Bryant was present at the public examination of the teachers, April 24th, and was engaged to teach the summer term in the Whitman district.

Mrs. M. M. Hathaway is improving in health.

J. E. Hathaway has been delivering trees for R. G. Chase, the past week.

Danno D. Johnson and John E. Brook "rode the Grangers' goat," last Saturday.

Walter Small has engaged with Captain C. C. Adams as cook on the "City of Augusta."

The scholars of the high school are preparing for an exhibition at the close of the term.

The Bryant's Pond Cornet Band is practicing regularly and fitting for jobs, the coming summer.

Reuben M. Whitman has been having his house newly shingled besides quite extensive repairs inside.

Geo. O. Jones and H. J. Libby have recently purchased a graphophone with which to amuse the people.

The roads around the village are now dry and in good condition, but in many places in town they are almost impassable.

Albert Mountfort, whose leg was so badly injured, last winter, is now able to walk, although his leg still pains him considerably.

EAST STONEHAM.

H. M. Parker is having an addition to his house.

A tramp stopped at A. Littlefield's, one night last week.

Amos McAllister had the misfortune to fall and hurt his knee, while working on S. Stearns' house.

Silas Stearns is building a dwelling house for himself and family a short distance from his blacksmith shop.

Died at Stoneham, May 1st, Mrs. Lydia Ayers, (better known to people in this vicinity as Aunt Flood) an aged lady who has been a resident of this town for many years. She has been kindly cared for at Dustin McAllister's during the past year or more. Charles Flood, her son, and wife were present at the funeral.

RUMFORD.

Heavy thunder showers, Monday of this week.

Blanche Ripley is teaching school at the Point.

Annie Martin commenced school in this district, last week.

Mrs. Asa Martin and daughter visited friends at Bethel, Saturday.

Win. Ray returned from Andover, Monday, where he had been river driving.

Mr. Bralley of Rumford Point is moving to E. Delano's on this side of the river.

Fryeburg Center.

Dean McDaniel works for Dean Wiley at Lovell.

Don Charles of Chatham works for Chandler Buzzell, this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wiley are at Joseph Johnson's for the present.

W. S. Day commenced work for the season at Highland Park, last week.

Eunice Dearborn is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Herbert Furd.

William Bryant of Toll Bridge has gone to the Eastman House, North Conway, to work for the season.

Ida Farrington has completed her musical studies in Boston and will remain at home through the summer.

ALBANY.

Archie Cole is delivering nursery stock in Berlin, N. H.

School at the Corner commenced, May 3d. Miss Cross of Bethel, teacher.

Ezra Lebroke has gone to Canton to work for B. D. Day, selling bed springs.

Mrs. Herbert Bean's mother, Mrs. Romanzo Cross, and sister from Lewiston are stopping with her. Lewey Cross is going to school.

Dexter Cummings has returned from the hospital at Portland where he has been five weeks. His improved condition is encouraging.

Motherhood.

A mother who is in good physical condition transmits to her children the blessings of a good constitution. The child fairly drinks in health from its mother's robust constitution before birth, and from a healthy mother's milk after.

Is not that an incentive to prepare for a healthy maternity?

Do you know the meaning of what is popularly called those "longings," or cravings, which beset so many women during pregnancy? There is something lacking in the mother's blood. Nature cries out and will be satisfied at all hazards.

One woman wants sour things, another wants sweets, another wants salt things, and so on.

The real need all the time is to enrich the blood so as to supply nourishment for another life, and to build up the entire generative system, so that the birth may be possible and successful.

If expectant mothers would fortify themselves with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which for twenty years has sustained thousands of women in this condition, there would be fewer disappointments at birth, and they would not experience those annoying "longings."

In the following letter to Mrs. Pinkham, Mrs. Whitney demonstrates the power of the Compound in such cases. She says:

"From the time I was sixteen years old till I was twenty-three, I was troubled with weakness of the kidneys and terrible pains when my monthly periods came on. I made up my mind to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and was soon relieved. After I was married, the doctor said I would never be able to go my full time and have a living child, as I was constitutionally weak. I had lost a baby at seven months and a half. The next time I commenced at once and continued to take your Compound through the period of pregnancy, and I said then, if I went my full time and the baby lived to be three months old, I should send a letter to you. My baby is now seven months old and is as healthy and hearty as one could wish."

"I am so thankful that I used your medicine, for it gave me the robust health to transmit to my child. I cannot express my gratitude to you. I never expected such a blessing. Praise God for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and may others who are suffering do as I did and find relief, and may many homes be brightened as mine has been."—Mrs. L. Z. WHITNEY, George St., E. Somerville, Mass.



WEST BETHEL.

A. S. Bean has some nice pigs at his barn.

Flora Rollins has returned home from Bethel.

Bert Bean of Hastings was in this village, recently.

Harry Pitts of Norway was in this village, recently.

Moses Mason is out again. He was in this village, last Monday.

A. S. Bean is doing an extensive business at farming, this spring.

Mrs. Frank Grover of Berlin, N. H., is here stopping at L. D. Grover's.

Mrs. M. E. Morrow has sold her pasture land in Glend to A. S. Bean.

B. K. Bean at Geo. Goodnow's is severely troubled with rheumatism.

Adrian Grover says we have the right teacher now, for we have to toe the mark and try and learn something.

Etta Briggs, daughter of E. R. Briggs, was married, last Saturday, and has gone to Albany to her husband's home.

The new church bell has got along and is now in place. It is very fine tuned and the people feel proud of it.

Aaron Kenerson and Ida Oushing were to Shelbyburne, N. H., last Thursday, returning home as man and wife.

Mrs. J. E. Pike has some very nice house plants. Some are in full bloom and make a grand show at the window.

Hattie Bacon has been sick for a few days, but now seems to be gaining slowly. She feels pleased for the many kindnesses she has received from friends.

We recently saw a young lady purchasing material for a May basket. We judge some young man will have an opportunity to catch her some fine evening, if he can.

Your correspondent has just received the news of the death of his aunt, Hannah C. Potter, who lived in Kansas. She was the widow of Nathan Potter who once lived in Bridgton and was for many years a resident of Waterford in this county.

Mrs. Ida Rollins has two very fine young ones of the new milch, farrow, the other is new milch. During one week from their milk she made seven pounds of butter, besides using what milk and cream needed in their family, eight in number.

WEST PARIS.

Llewellyn Pratt moved his family to Bethel, this week.

Mrs. Sloan returned home from her visit away, last week.

Della Ridlon is teaching school in the Billings district in North Woodstock.

Abbie Curtis of Norway visited relatives here, Saturday, and returned home, Sunday.

Len Swan and Bertha Emmons attended the concert at Lewiston, Saturday evening.

Will Shedd and his niece, Phila Brooks, of Gorham, N. H., came down to attend the ball, Friday night.

Those having items of news they would like to send to the Advertiser will please note them down and leave in P. O. Box 147, and they will receive attention.

About fifty couples attended the ball here, last Friday night. There was quite a little party from Norway and a number from Bryant's Pond, South Paris and other places. Twenty dollars was realized from the supper served by the ladies of West Paris Grange, the night of the ball.

NORTH PARIS.

Lester Bessey, who has been up country, river driving, has returned home.

George Chase, who has been visiting his parents, has returned to his work at Man.

The many friends of Rev. A. K. Bryant are rejoicing at his return for another year.

C. Everett Chase is moving his family to West Paris, where they will occupy the Bert Willis rent.

Wallace Andrews and son are visiting his father, America Andrews. They made the trip from Portland on bicycles.

The M. E. Circle will be entertained by Chase, Thursday, May 6. Through the summer they will meet afternoon and evening, and tea will be served instead of dinner.

Rev. Seth Benson has returned with his family from Addison Point to his farm. He has been absent four years. He was accompanied by a family by the name of Webb, who will carry on the farm for him.

Pale and Thin

Could Not Help Myself for Three Months—Impure Blood Causes Great Suffering—How Relief Came—Better than Ever Before.

"I have been in poor health owing to impure blood, weak stomach, biliousness and sick headaches, ever since I was a child eight years old. I have suffered everything for the past 14 years. I got so low that I could not help myself for three months, and was pale and thin. My neighbors did not expect me to live through the winter. I asked my doctor if I could take Hood's Sarsaparilla and he said that I could take as much of it as I liked. I very soon found it helped me very much. I continued its use until I had taken six bottles, and at that time I looked better than I ever did since I can remember. I shall never be without Hood's Sarsaparilla as long as I can get it. It helped me more than any other medicine that I have ever taken. I advise anyone who is in poor health to try this great blood purifier, Hood's Sarsaparilla. I owe my life to this medicine." ELIZA A. RUMRILL, Box 1178, Claremont, N. H. All druggists. \$1; six for \$5. Get only Hood's.

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Examination of the Eyes, Free.

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Don't buy until you have seen them at

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Stiff or soft, all sizes and all qualities and prices. Black, brown, blue, gray. New spring styles and lots of them.

Caps.

Just as good a line as of hats. Come and see them.

Clothing.

New spring styles, and a splendid assortment for old and young.

Dry Foot Goods

Such as rubbers, are excellent at this season.

J. F. PLUMMER,

Market Square, South Paris.

HARBOR.

Elmer Brackett has been home for a few days.

Charlie Buzzell has been visiting in Sweden and at Fish Street.

Charlie Seavey has gone back to North Chatham to work for Chas. Chandler.

Herbert Ridlon of Kezar Falls spent Sunday, April 25th, with Chas. Evans and family.

Carrie Johnson spent last week at Fryeburg village with her sister Lida, who is attending school at the Academy.

Six of the D. of R. members from here were not afraid of the mud and attended the regular meeting at Fryeburg Centre, April 24th.

We hear the old Knight mansion that has been so long vacant is to be occupied, this summer, by Salmon Smith of West Fryeburg.

The official board of the M. E. church met at the church, Saturday evening, May 1st, to talk over the much needed parsonage.

There will be a circle and reception at the chapel, Friday, May 7th, for the new minister, Rev. W. Bragg, and family. Mr. Bragg has moved his goods to the house owned by Albert Wiley at North Fryeburg. He and his family have been stopping with Mrs. David Bradley, the past week.

NORTHWEST BETHEL.

John Bean of Gilead was at this place, the 1st and 2d inst.

E. S. and Seth Mason expect to finish work at the Corner, this week.

Cecil and Christine Chapman are at Portland for awhile, visiting relatives.

Mrs. Martha B. Chapman is at Stratford, N. H., stopping with her brothers, for a few days.

E. E. Chapman has returned from Florida where he went to spend the winter, and his many friends are glad to learn he is in much better health.

Clyde I. Bartlett began school in this place, the 26th of April, with 17 pupils. She boards at home in Mayville and carries the scholars from the lower end of the district to and from school.

If you are in want of monumental work, call on or address E. E. Whitney & Co., Bethel, Me. See ad.

When you paint your house Please give me a call.

I have Salem White Lead, pure Linseed Oil, H. W. Johns' Liquid Paints, and I intend to sell them as low as anybody for the same quality of goods.

I have not got an ounce of adulterated white lead in my store and shall not get any, and my prices are based on the best to be found in the market.

I also keep a stock of Nails, Zinc, Sheathing Paper and everything necessary for building or repairing your buildings, at the lowest prices possible.

Call and see if it is not so.

Wm. C. Leavitt, Norway, Maine.

Just received a fine line of Common and Fancy Crackers. Can sell you Common for 20c a hundred, others ask 30c. Ginger Snaps, 10c. per lb., others ask 15c.

Yours respectfully,

E. F. BICKNELL, 141 Main Street, Sign Hamlin & Bicknell.

Oxford County Shoe Store,

Odd Fellows' Block. - - - Norway, Maine.

Our store is full of New Goods direct from the factory. We have spared no pains in selecting this stock of goods. Never have we had as fine lines of goods for our trade to select from. We won't quote prices, but call and see our stock and get our prices. We are glad to show our goods if you don't wish to buy.

Thanking you for past favors, I remain, yours for business, F. W. FAUNCE, CLERK,

Next Door to National Bank, - - - NORWAY, MAINE.

Another Great Sacrifice Sale

May 8th! May 8th!

ONE DAY ONLY.

The prices are way below the regular wholesale price. Come and look at the goods.

Prices marked on each lot.

Each lot is a bargain in itself.

125 yards of All Wool, 50 inch Flannel at 25c per yard, blue, red and brown, regular price 50c per yard.

900 yards of 36 inch Percale at 6 1-2c per yard light colored, regular price 10c per yard.

1500 yards of fine Ginghams at 5c per yard, very handsome, plaids and checks, regular price 8c and 10c per yard. Only 20 yards of this gingham to a customer.

200 yards Bleached Sheetting remnants at 4c per yard, 36 inch. wide, Good stock, no Cheese Cloth, 10 yards only to a customer.

100 yards Bleached Cotton Crash at 3c per yard extra heavy, 5 yards only to each customer.

John J. Perry.

Although of the remarkable age of 86 years, and pursuing his profession up to the close of his life, and when last seen on the street on Saturday in apparently good health, Gen. Perry has been suddenly removed from earthly activities, and his death early on Sunday morning was a sad surprise.

Though born at Portsmouth, N. H., he, at an early age, settled in Oxford, then known as Craig's Mills, where for the major part of his life he continued his home. His first public appearance was as deputy sheriff of Oxford county, but not finding the duties of this office congenial, and having a decided taste for the law, which a good academic education at the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, Ken's Hill, had stimulated, he was admitted to the bar in 1834, and at once entered upon a successful practice.

Being a man of the people and an active Democrat, his personal friends had previously designated him to represent his townsmen in the legislature, in which he served in 1839, in 1842 and 1843. In 1844 and 1847 he was elected to represent the county in the Senate. His practical knowledge accompanied by good sense and familiar acquaintance with men and the wants of the state, gave him an influential position and made him a useful and conspicuous leader.

When the well-known split in the Democratic party occurred resulting in the formation of the Republican party, he allied himself with Anson P. Morrill, and his friends, and was one of the most earnest and continuous champions of prohibition. When Mr. Hamlin severed his relations with the Democratic party, Gen. Perry, like many others, followed in the same line, and ever since was one of the most earnest and influential friends of the former.

He was twice elected Representative to Congress, serving from December 5, 1853, to March 3, 1857, and from December 3, 1859 to March 3, 1861. He was a member of the "Peace Congress," which met in Washington in the winter 1860-61, though from the first he believed compromise with the South impossible. His interest in public questions at an eventful period found forcible expression in the Oxford Democrat, with which he was identified as editor for a dozen years. He served in the executive council of the state during the later years of the civil war. For a number of years past he has been one of the trustees of the State Reform school and secretary of the board.

Religiously, Gen. Perry was warmly attached to the Methodist church, and was greatly esteemed far and wide as one of its most distinguished leaders. He was closely identified with its educational interests at Kent's Hill, long a trustee and treasurer of the institution. His local membership was with the Chestnut street church in Portland.

While a resident of Oxford county he had quite a fondness for military life, and it was his aptitude therein which gave him promotion to the rank of major general in the state militia and secured for him the title he generally bore. After closing his public career at Oxford he removed to Portland and resumed the practice of his profession with honorable success. But he never lost his love for Oxford county, nor did his people lose theirs for him.

In the latter years of his life he continued frequently to use his fertile and vigorous pen, and having an excellent memory and being unusually well qualified to speak of men and politics connected with the most stirring history of state and nation, his reminiscences were more than of ordinary interest. Gen. Perry was loyal to his convictions on all subjects and fearless in giving expression to them whether by pen or speech. But with his robust integrity and late of shams he possessed a genial nature, and never allowed difference of opinion to detract from his friendships which were strong and numerous. Said it is to part with him, but pleasant to remember that he was one of the few who make the most of life's opportunities, and whose long record can be exemplified as one of the worthiest and best of those who have served our state and nation with honor and usefulness.

In 1844 he married Miss Sarah Adams Norton Allen, whose name shows her connection with some of the oldest and most distinguished of New England families. She survives him at the age of 81, and he leaves one son, Edwin Allen Perry, long connected with the Boston Herald. His only other child, Mary Constantia, died in Portland in 1861.

Gen. Perry's funeral took place at his former residence, 361 Cumberland St., at 2 o'clock, Tuesday afternoon. The interment was in Evergreen cemetery.

NORTH WOODSTOCK.

Fred Bryant went to Norway and Paris, last Saturday.

Mrs. L. Hemmingsway visited at George's, last Thursday.

Helen Doughty expects to work a few weeks at the hotel at Bryant's Pond, beginning the first of this week.

Two Armentians with their packs were selling dry goods and notions.

Ass Sessions was at Norway and Paris, last Monday; also visited his aunt, Mrs. Ellen Russell at Oxford, returning Wednesday.

Hemmingsway & Palmer have got their drive of logs down Concord stream below Thompson's mill, where they are boomed.

Elmer and Lorenzo Billings have made seventy gallons of maple syrup, this spring, ten pails of sap making one gallon of syrup.

Frank Foster has not sold out his interest in his farm to his brother, as was reported, a few weeks since, but will reside with his family at Auburn, a year or so, while Fred runs the farm here.

Mrs. Diantha Edwards, our postmistress, has had a long, expensive and discouraging sickness. Her many friends will be pleased to hear that she is better and expects soon to be able to resume her work in the post-office, where she has always given such good satisfaction. Jessie Millett has the care of it, at present.

EAST SWEDEN.

Mrs. E. W. Bennett is improving slowly.

They finished sawing birch at the mill, April 27, and commenced the 28th to saw long lumber of which there is about 70,000 feet.

George S. Marr is to furnish lumber for a house and stable for Mr. Bennett at the mill in this place, from timber bought of D. T. Adams.

William Bennett is building a shed for Mrs. Lillian Bennett; she is having her buildings repaired and improved and will move into them in season to board the school teacher for the spring term.

LOVELL.

The comrades of the old 12th Maine Regiment will be pleased to learn that they have the honor of having one of their comrades, W. H. Abbott of Co. G, Colonel, on Command-in-Chief Clark-son's Staff. Comrade Abbott enlisted from Lovell in 1861, resides now in Boston and is a member of Gettysburg Post, 191, G. A. R.

E. S. Hutchins arrived home from Groveton, N. H., last week, with four nice horses, and is offering them at reasonable prices. Among them are a Review, No. 8902, an imported Hackney stallion, bred by George Brownlow-Wisbeck Combs. He is a beautiful dapple brown, 16 1/2 hands high and weighing 1325 lbs. He is fine style and action good gaited. Mr. Hutchins claiming he can road 12 miles in one hour. Those intending raising colts will do well to examine this horse.

James Charles has shingled his house. Schools commenced in town, Monday.

B. E. Brown is turning dovles at the mill.

Some of the farmers have sowed their oats.

Adelbert Stanley has finished work in the mill.

They start out with the road machine, this week.

Suckers are ripe and a good crop reported.

George Eastman is in Jackson, N. H., at work painting.

Clayton Littlefield out one of his fine quite badly with an ax, laying him up for a few days.

Mrs. E. M. Harmon has a full line of millinery at her store at Lovell and she invites you to call and inspect. See ad.

The young men of Lovell village entertained the C. E. Circle, Friday evening. The hall was prettily decorated with evergreen, but the boys said there were no mayflowers to be had, though they searched the woods through for them. The supper was fine and served in an excellent manner. The boys seemed to know just how to get supper and wash dishes, but we noticed that they let the girls help a little when it came to the latter. Come girls, go thou and do likewise.

Mrs. S. J. Manning.

Mrs. Stephen J. Manning of Lewiston died, Friday, at Lynn, Mass.

She married Gen. Manning on Jan. 20, 1844, at Rumford, her maiden name being Sarah Walker, a daughter of Hon. Timothy Walker of Rumford. At the time of the marriage, Mr. Manning was home from the front, a captain, and soon after was commissioned quartermaster. Most of her life since the war has been in the South in West Virginia and North Carolina, where Gen. Manning was sheriff of New Hanover county, N. C.

In 1890 they came to Maine, and Gen. Manning built his present home on the old Manning farm, where the old house had stood. Mrs. Manning has been a sufferer for four or five years. She went to Lynn for treatment in a hospital, and Gen. Manning has been there most of the time.

Hon. Chas. Walker, postmaster of Lewiston, is Mrs. Manning's brother, and she leaves two sisters, Cynthia Walker of Rumford and Mrs. Parker of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The burial was at Rumford.

HEBRON.

F. R. Glover and son Robert spent several days in Boston and vicinity, recently.

The Hebron Academies defeated the L. H. S. nine on the Hebrons' grounds, last Saturday. Score 8 to 1.

Rev. C. E. Harden has been spending a few days with his family in Hebron. He returns to Appleton, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cummings gave a reception to their friends, last Friday evening, at their home. A large party were present and passed a very pleasant evening. Two teams came from Norway, the former home of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Cummings were the recipients of many handsome and valuable presents.

Prof. and Mrs. Sargent gave a reception to the graduating class, Wednesday evening, April 28. The class numbers about 35 and with the teachers and other guests made quite a large party. Refreshments were served, after which Mr. Wall in behalf of the class presented Mr. and Mrs. Sargent with a beautiful silver cake dish. Among the guests were Judge Bonney of Portland, Rev. Dr. Crane and Mrs. Fannie Brainerd.

A precinct town meeting was held in the vestry, Monday afternoon, for the purpose of establishing a free high school precinct, at which the following business was transacted. Chose Chas. H. George, moderator; W. Scott Bearce clerk. Voted to establish a free high school precinct in the following described section of the town of Hebron, to wit, between and including the residences of P. Y. Everett and Joseph Hibbs and the whole of district No. 8. Chose A. M. Richardson agent and clerk of the precinct. Voted to raise \$500 for the support of a free high school.

The Grangers held a public meeting at their hall, May day. After an excellent dinner was served the following program was carried out:

Stinging.....Grange Choir
Reading.....Grace Bumpus
Vocal Solo.....A. M. George
Reading.....Abbie Marshall
Singing.....Choir
Reading.....Miss Sanders
Instrumental music.....Ernest Nichols
Speech.....Members of Grange
Music.....Choir

In the evening there was a sociable and bonnet trimming contest at the hall. Each lady brought a bonnet and trimming which the gentlemen proceeded to trim according to the latest style. The gentlemen had to pay the sum of 15 cents for this privilege and were allowed to eat ice cream with the lady whose bonnet he trimmed. Chas. Cummings got the prize for trimming one in the best style.

OXFORD.

There is no services at the Congregational Church.

George Stanley of Boston preached at the M. E. church, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Parrott of Portland visited his parents here Sunday.

Albert Parrott who has been attending Portland Business College is at home on a short vacation.

John J. Perry who died, Sunday, at his home in Portland, was for many years a prominent citizen of this place and was one of the founders of the M. E. Church here.

Eight delegates of the Oxford division attended the session of the Grand division that met with the Bethab division at Cumberland Mills, Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

BUCKFIELD.

Dr. A. E. Cole is improving.

Rev. Mr. Bangs is away at the present time.

Edwin Vose of Auburn is visiting his mother.

Ike Fuller is moving to Dr. Wm. P. Bridgman's farm.

Dr. Childs has added a line of fish and lobsters to his grocery and meat trade.

Lute says Franc is grating sumac and alders. North Buckfield papers please copy.

J. J. Abbott of Sumner was in town, Tuesday, to meet his daughter, Mrs. Dr. Bisbee.

From appearances we should judge that the law was off on caterpillars and suckers.

R. N. Prince and wife, who have been spending the winter in New York, returned, Friday.

Dr. Hall is booked to deliver his lecture on Gen. Thomas and the battle of Chickamanga at Rumford Falls, May 7th.

Norman Buck of Bethel, Ronello Barrows of Canton and Rev. Mr. Lawrence of New Hampshire were in town, Monday.

John N. Irish has nine sheep and seven lambs, having lost one lamb. John is a bachelor but he knows how to propagate lambs.

Percy Monk of Hebron, the young man who got severely injured by the train, last July, came up, last Friday, and had a loose silver of bone taken from his leg.

Owing to the high price of lobsters it has been suggested that the fishermen be instructed to stock the ponds and lakes with that species of fish in this vicinity.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

S. Leslie Curtis and wife spent the Sabbath at A. D. Bryant's, returning to Portland.

School commenced, Monday, under the instruction of Lottie Pevely of Bryant's Pond.

E. S. Russell is grading up his doorway, also removed part of the stone wall. It will be much better.

Lysander Fuller of Upton visited at Geo. Cummings', a part of last week, also called on other friends.

Mrs. Rudolph Kramer of Rochester, N. H., who has been spending some time in town, went to Berlin, last week.

Isaac W. Andrews, sixty-five years old, reads, writes and files saws without glasses, and he says it is all owing to his having a clear conscience.

Monday morning, Riley M., his mother, father and brother, Gilman McKee, and Flora Wilson came up from Paris Hill to Geo. McKee's. They had got burned out there the day before. It seems to be quite a time for fires all around. George has been thinking of going to Soosa Falls with A. T. Tuell in charge. Mr. Cummings has a large, fine orchard on it and it is a good piece of property.

DIXFIELD CENTRE.

John Grover is shingling his house.

Chas. Kidder is having his house painted white.

D. F. Newton is building a house at Dixfield village to rent.

The sick ones are better with the exception of Livonia Holman.

Several have had sick cows, this spring, and Eugene Holman has lost one.

Horace Holman is building a shed which connects house with barn.

Those who have popular regret the burning of the pulp mill at Canton.

Farmers intend to get a good line fence up and some oats sowed, this week.

Will S. Holman has a hired crew cutting ties and popular on the John Doble farm.

The long rain will make farmers backward about their spring's work. A good many hardly know what to plant to get money to pay the bills with.

On account of the death of his uncle, Rev. J. W. Jordan has been called away to take charge of a property and will not preach here any more. Rev. L. H. Metcalf will take his place, preaching here the 1st and 3d Sundays in each month at 2 p. m., and at East Dixfield in the forenoon of same days. Missionary York preached here, one week ago, to a full house. His daughter, Anna York, is to teach here, this summer, and commenced last Monday with 27 scholars.

WEST SUMNER.

H. T. Heath has sold his horse.

Bessie Burgess teaches in the Stefton district.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Chandler went to West Paris, May 2d.

Washington Farrar from Paris has visited his sister, Mrs. Belle Heath.

Geo. E. Pulsifer returned from delivering nursery stock, last Monday.

L. P. Merrill has bought a valuable four-year-old colt of Merritt Damon.

Our school teacher, Iva D. Brown, boards with Mrs. Bertie J. Hemmingsway. Mrs. Jacobs is caring for Dr. Andrews' wife and Annie Keene is doing the housework.

Mrs. Charles Packard and daughter Lena of Canton Point have visited in several places here.

Dr. C. M. Bisbee's wife from Rumford Falls is stopping with her mother, Mrs. J. J. Abbott, who is quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Heath went to South and West Paris, last week. They are at Buckfield to work, this week.

Mrs. Della Fuller has been here preparing the house to receive her sister, Mrs. L. M. Gurney, who is expected home soon.

There was a circle in the vestry, May night, and a large number attended, some from out of town. Supper was served and a good time enjoyed.

Mrs. E. G. Doble has been to South Paris to care for her son's wife, Mrs. B. S. Doble, and baby, a few days. Mrs. Sewell from Sumner is with them now.

NORTH BRIDGTON.

Mrs. Chloe Woodsum is very ill.

Gertrude E., Kate L. Foster and Annie E. Hall are teaching in Harrison.

Mrs. F. H. Brown returned home, Tuesday, after an absence of more than a year.

The academy base ball team played with the Bridgton high school nine, last Friday. B. A. was victorious with a score of 25 to 9.

Mrs. Mary A. Cole.

Died in Cambridge, Mass., May 1st, Mary A., wife of John Downer Cole, daughter of Charles Noble of South Paris, of quick consumption. She was tenderly cared for by her sisters and at the last passed quietly on to the higher life as a child would go to sleep, surrounded by the sorrowing husband, brother, sisters and her dear friend, Mrs. Euley.

Every wish was gratified but one, her intense longing to see her old home. Her last words were "Take me to Maine."

Her remains were brought here, Monday. Funeral services at her father-in-law's, Wm. C. Cole's, Tuesday afternoon, were conducted by Rev. B. S. Rideout of the 2d Congregational church, who two years ago joined her in the holy bond of wedlock. The singing was by the Methodist choir, Mrs. Cragin, accompanist.

Peculiarly she lay robed in white, surrounded by the beautiful floral offerings, over them a white dove. Very pathetic was the cluster of pear blossoms that from her window she had watched bud and bloom. In life she loved flowers dearly, and in death she was surrounded by them, always doing for others. May God give her friends help and strength to bear their loss.

The floral offerings were many and beautiful. A large crescent composed of white roses and pinks interwoven with ivy from her husband was laid around her name on the lid. From the sisters, a mound of white roses and pinks bearing the word "Sister," from the brother, twenty-four bride's roses tied with white satin ribbon, also a quantity of acacagias vine, which was entwined about her; from Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Macdonald of Cambridge, Mass., a large bunch of Easter lilies, also several calla lilies and leaves tied with white ribbon; Frances N. Jordan of Boston, twenty-four Daybreak pinks upon a background of ferns, also lilies of the valley; Mr. and Mrs. A. Phipps of Cambridge, a large wreath of pink and white roses; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Gurney of Roxbury, Mass., twenty-four white pinks with ferns tied with white ribbon, also a bouquet of cut flowers; J. Brown Lord of Boston sent twenty-four white and Daybreak pinks tied with white ribbon; from Mrs. Hancock of Cambridge, a bouquet of tulips. Many friends in Norway sent mayflowers and cut flowers.

WEST LOVELL.

G. W. Andrews returned from Boston for ten days.

John A. Fox has all his short timber cut and is now has his timber to saw for a new barn.

Clarence D. Lord came from Rumford Falls with his sister Aristeer and has returned to his work there.

Edwin Sands is at work for Z. McAllister while he is away helping drive the logs down Kezar pond.

Mrs. J. Walter Fox has returned from going to Massachusetts where she was assisting in the care of the mill hands.

Webster Abbot who has been home for a week and attended the funeral services of his father and mother at Frye, burg Corner, last week, has returned to Jackson, N. H.

We have just been looking over the laws passed by the last legislature and find the law makers after two years of the right to reap suckers have deprived us of the right, except at a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each fish so taken. We feel sorry that our legislators could not extend their term for so long a time without amending a law which deprives the people of so insignificant a fish as a sucker. Our query is why is the sucker so protected it being an unsaleable fish.

DENMARK.

Mrs. Witham remains very feeble.

Simeon Colby has been quite sick but is better.

C. A. Ingalls was very sick, Saturday and Sunday.

Elbridge Thorn and wife have been quite sick, lately.

Austin Wentworth bought a cow of Lon Wentworth, last week.

Dr. Brown and Augustine Ingalls are having their buildings painted. Foss of Hiram does it.

Chad Rand, Jr., and wife went to Jackson, N. H. where they work in a hotel, this summer.

Alonzo Wentworth and wife go to Jackson, N. H., where he works as section hand on the R. R. Fred Davis carries on his farm.

Our common schools commenced, Monday. The assignment of teachers I have not yet learned. Their examination was Saturday.

Irving Ingalls has bought of his father the buildings on the Benton farm and will move the house, this week, to the lot where the buildings were burned, the Dr. Sawyer lot, and will make him a home there.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

All the sick people of this place are convalescent.

George Ayer and family have returned to Rumford Falls.

L. Tobettas has returned from his home at Auburn to attend to his business in this place.

Jennie Coffin is to teach school in Greenwood. She has taught several successive terms there.

Mrs. C. R. Bartlett, who has been confined to her bed three months, is able to sit up nearly all day.

Charles Brooks who has been at work for his brother, the past winter in the West Indies, did not reach home as expected, Saturday night, from some cause.

EAST DENMARK.

Wm. Hutchins of Hiram was in the place, Saturday.

Insley Jewett has hired with T. I. Lowell for the Summer.

Aunt Lizzie Lowell, the oldest woman in town, is very poorly.

Edgar Hilton died very suddenly, April 28th, at his home in this place. The cause of his death was grip terminating in pneumonia. The deceased was a kind hearted man, a good neighbor, and one that will be greatly missed in the community. The funeral was at the house, April 30th, Rev. Mr. Sargent officiating. He leaves a widow (nee Carrie Trumble of Denmark) and nine children also two sisters, Mrs. James Hartford of Hiram and Mrs. Chas. Fessenden of Bridgton. His age was about 44 years.

SOUTH HARRISON.

School began, April 26, under the instruction of Kate Foster of North Bridgton.

John Hartford has finished work at Henry Packard's and returned home. Chester Landon has hired out to work for Mr. Packard a year.

Bankrupt Stock

BOOTS AND SHOES,

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We have purchased a large Bankrupt Stock of Boots and Shoes that will be sold regardless of cost,—1,000 pairs of Men's and Boys' Boots that must be sold out within thirty days. These goods are all good quality, Kangaroo and Calf Stock, and will be sold at about half price. This sale is strictly cash. No cards punched on this sale.

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RUMFORD FALLS.

I. M. March is building a stable for F. M. Curran.

A mansard roof has been put on Lebreque block.

George B. McMennamin visited in Berlin Falls, last week.

After the middle of May, a noon stage will leave for Andover.

Alexander McGregor of Kingston, N. B., is visiting relatives in town.

Gertrude Elward is working in Mrs. M. V. Wheeler's millinery store.

Jerome Gonyea of Amherst, Ontario, has been visiting his relatives in town.

J. M. McGregor is putting in a foundation for a boiler house at the paper mill.

E. S. Daniels has moved into the Perry house on Franklin Street, which he recently purchased.

The town assessors found a valuation of \$1,231,920; total assessment, \$27,472.00; rate .018; 919 polls taxed at \$2.50 each.

Fred E. Tucker and William Toupaine have given bonds to answer to the Supreme Court for illegal transportation of liquor.

W. L. White will build a two-story house for J. S. Mullen. The location is on Franklin Street next the Universalist church.

Rev. E. W. Webber and R. H. Dearborn attended the Grand Lodge of Good Templars at Portland, last week. Mr. Webber is Past Grand Chief Templar.

A. E. Bartlett is building a fine cellar in the lot on Franklin Street, next to the Methodist church. It is to be under a large double house erected by John Wheeler.

Dr. O. R. Hall of Buckfield gave his lecture on "Gen. Thomas and Chickamauga," at the Methodist church, last Friday evening. The doctor is a war veteran and a pleasing speaker though totally blind.

Monday evening of last week, at the meeting of Rumford Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Hon. Waldo Pettengill in behalf of the Chapter presented a fine K. T. and Royal Arch watch charm to High Priest D. B. Perry.

Summer time-table on the railroads went into effect, Monday. Slight changes in time. Through cars to Benis on the afternoon train, and night train from the south to Rumford Falls on Saturday, with early train going south on Monday mornings.

There are 967 scholars in town, 630 of whom are in the village corporation. Teachers for the summer schools have been assigned as follows:

High School, Rumford Falls: Geo. W. Stearns, Principal.

Susan M. Graham, Assistant.

Grammar School, Sue Thompson.

Intermediate, Lilla E. Curtis.

Primary No. 1, Mary E. Howe.

Primary No. 2, Clara L. Elliott.

Mexico Bridge, Julia F. Morton.

Virginia, Anna Farnum.

Swin Road, Mabel E. Curtis.

East Hill, Jennie G. Martin.

Isthmus, Nina J. Swain.

Abbott's Mill, Mary K. Bartlett.

Penn Annex, Isaac S. Smith.

North Rumford, Katherine Elliott.

East Ellis, Lona Abbott.

Rumford Point, Blanche Ripley.

Rumford Corner, Annie J. Martin.

Rumford Center, Lucy Lufkin.

East Rumford, Josephine Graham.

South Rumford, Tessie S. Powers.

Thurston, Lizzie M. Brackett.

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Monday, May 10, has been designated by Governor Fowles as Arbor Day.

that cough or throat trouble may go to your lungs. What does that mean?

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Church vs. Saloon.

Address of Rev. T. DeWitt Hyde Before the Civic League.

The following address was delivered by President Hyde of Bowdoin College before the Christian Civic League of Maine at the time of its organization in Waterville. The ADVERTISER has been requested to publish it.

The hero of a recent popular novel, who was very bashful in early college days, found himself called upon to take a young lady out to refreshments. He was so overwhelmed by this novel and bitter-sweet experience that every idea left him; he couldn't think of a word to say; and so for several minutes—minutes which were ages of agony to him—they sat side by side, in awful silence. Then at last the cruel maiden broke the spell, or rather bound it all the tighter, by saying, "Now let's talk about something else." Since the adoption of the prohibitory amendment to the constitution in 1834, the temperance people of Maine have been sitting as dumb as the bashful freshman; and at length the patient and long-suffering temperance cause, like the arch maiden, ventures the remark, "Let's talk about something else."

In the mean time the enemies and the friends of temperance have not been silent or inactive. First in a few land centers and out of the way places as local exceptions; then more generally and openly throughout the larger cities and towns; and recently with frank and deliberate proposals to nullify the law by applying the "Bangor plan" where the enforcement of the law is deemed difficult or undesirable we have seen an increasing disregard and defiance of the law on the part of citizens and officials alike. Newspapers, hostile to the law, have seized every opportunity to publish and magnify its failures. Finally the committee of fifty, in a report which in the main is probably reliable in its statement of facts, but is misleading in the general impression which it gives by its interpretation of these facts, have claimed that "nearly three-fourths of the population of Maine are not living under an enforced prohibitory law, and that more than one-half live in towns and cities where the liquor traffic is practically unrestricted, so far as the opportunity for procuring drink is concerned."

There is great truth in the contention of the pessimist, "In a world where everything is bad, it is good to know the worst." As a careful and painstaking statement of the unfavorable aspects of the working of the prohibitory law in Maine, the report of the committee is a welcome contribution to the problem. With their conclusion that prohibition has been and must be a failure wherever tried, we may not agree. But we all assent to their statement that "The fact that prohibition has so long had a place on the statute books, and latterly in the constitution, has fostered a feeling of security detrimental to the cause of temperance, pure and simple. The corrupting influence of a large social element thriving in defiance of all law needs no further elucidation; bribery, perjury, and official dishonesty follow it."

Assuming that the facts are as bad as the report of the committee of fifty represents, what do they signify? And what are you going to do about it? The facts are just what we might have expected. No law executes itself. As Emerson says, "A thing uttered in words is not therefore affirmed. It must affirm itself, or no form of logic or of oath can give it evidence." No form of constitution or of statute can make a law effective. A united, organized, educated, aggressive public sentiment is the only thing that can enforce law. Evil in flesh and blood is stronger than good in paper and ink. Thus this contest has been between paper-and-ink temperance and flesh-and-blood intemperance. And the flesh-and-blood intemperance has beaten the paper-and-ink temperance, as a matter of course.

We have here in Maine on the one hand 1,000, or at the outside, say 1,500 places which serve the purpose of saloons. They are organized; and behind them is great wealth. They throw their weight as a unit in politics; they spend money freely for "protection" they are training a company of supporters day and night. Against this organized, moneyed, political power, the isolated sentiment of ten times that number of good people, who are opposed to the saloon, counts for almost nothing. The saloon is gaining strength every year and every day and will continue to gain so long as the good people of the State continue to engage in this unequal contest.

What have we on the other side? Against these 1,500 open or concealed saloons, we have in Maine 1,500 churches. With the exception of a few ministers and members who think they have done their whole religious duty when they have folded their hands and lifted up their eyes, and gazed at the beneficent vision of making their hostility effective, these churches and those they represent are as good as sheep without a shepherd, and fall an easy prey to the wolves. The Christian Civic League proposes to organize the force of 1,500 churches into a more united force; to support it with the names and the means, and the intelligence, and the co-operation of all the Christian people of the State. In state and county and city and town it proposes to make what Christian sentiment there is already, and what sentiment a thorough awakening of the conscience of the people can evoke, as compact and intelligent and aggressive a force as is the liquor interest against which it contends. That liquor interest as we all know, even where it exists under the ban and condemnation of the constitution and the law, is powerful and rich and aggressive. Its power lies not chiefly in the appetite and the thirst for drink, strong and cruel, and terrible as that thirst becomes in the abnormal constitution of the victim of the habit. The real strength of the saloon lies in the far more cruel and insatiable and remorseless thirst for gold. Why is the saloon so hard to exterminate? Partly because there are a few thousand people in the State, who want to buy and drink liquor by the glass. But the main reason is because there are ten or fifteen hundred people in our midst who by selling liquor by the glass are making money with least capital, least brains, least conscience, and least hard labor. A saloon is a place where a man can sell a cent's worth of drugs and a dollar's worth of degradation for a dime. What wonder that there are ten or fifteen hundred people in our midst who are willing to violate the law, and make themselves nuisances to the community on such profitable terms? The degradation they in-

flot costs them nothing, but is assurance of increased trade; and their stock costs next to nothing in proportion to the price at which they sell it; and even that can be had on terms of credit from the distillers, the brewers and the wholesale dealers. That is what makes the liquor business so attractive to a certain class of citizens. There isn't another line of business, unless it be the allied industries of the gambling houses and the brothel, which like it fatten on the pockets of the poor, in which a man can pocket, by giving so cheap and paltry a commodity, the wages of the working-man. That a certain class of men should like to sort of business is not surprising; but that the constitution and laws of the State should be set at naught in their interest; that the officials of county and city should receive their instructions from them; that the Christian people of the community should be ruled by them, this is indeed surprising; this ought not to be. It is to protest against this state of things, to correct it as far as it can be corrected, and to put an end to it as speedily as possible, that the Christian Civic League of Maine is organized today.

To be continued.

How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common water glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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Noted Preachers for Country Folk

Why the world was not converted and Christianized long ago has been a problem that many have discussed. We have thought of it too. Now every one knows that a great many of our smartest and most substantial and influential men in a business sense in a city and many of the lesser folks come from the country. It is a sort of a reserve from which our cities receive their strength and growth. Now our most noted preachers and evangelists all go to large cities because there are more people there and there is a better chance to do good they say. (Some people are so ungenerous as to say that the salaries are larger.) Perhaps there has been a mistake, perhaps if some of the great preachers, men who were peculiarly fitted for the work, went about doing good in the Country; the places from which the cities receive much of their best, it would not be so hard work to accomplish better results. To be sure there are much people in a city. There is also much water in a pond, but it would be an almost hopeless task to cleanse the pond by beating its waters, if the streams running into that pond were filthy. The most scientific knowledge and the most approved means would be first applied to the streams away back to the fountain and all the way along. Then the task of the purifying of the big waters would be much lessened. This may be theory, but we would like to see it given a trial.

The French say "it is the impossible that happens." This has proved to be the case with the Mount Lebanon Shakers. The whole scientific world has been laboring to cure dyspepsia, but every effort seemed to meet with defeat. The suffering from stomach troubles has become almost universal. Multitudes have no desire for food and that which they do eat causes them pain and distress. Sleepless nights are the rule and not the exception, and thousands of sufferers have become discouraged.

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In the days of the old Portland & Oxford Central railroad, under the management of E. O. J. Smith, trains sometimes made close connection with the Grand Trunk in Mechanic Falls, and sometimes in cloudy weather they didn't. On one of the latter occasions Hon. S. C. Andrews, who resided at Buckfield, came in from Portland to Mechanic Falls and vainly looked around for the train that was to take him to Buckfield. He walked up and down the station platform for quite a while, anxiously peering through his spectacles for the Buckfield train.

He began to lower his brow, and with his mouth open, each moment growing more nervous, and finally accosted a train official as to the locality of the train. "O," was the reply, "that train left some hours ago as it looked as though a snowstorm was approaching and you will be obliged to stay over till Monday, when, if it is fair weather, the train will go down on another trip."

The Hon. S. C. was a gentleman and disdained rough talk, but his eyes sparkled through his glasses while he inquired if there was a dirty little street arab anywhere around, saying that he would cheerfully give him a quarter to give that old railroad a good damming.

The Westfield (Ind.) News prints the following in regard to an old resident of that place: "Frank A. Verrill, for many years in the employ of the L. N. & C. Ry. here, says: 'I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy by ten years or longer—am never without it in my family. I consider it the best remedy of the kind manufactured. I take pleasure in recommending it.' It is a specific for all bowel disorders. For sale by Noyes Drug Store.

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NORTH WATERFORD.

The earth is once more donning her mantle of green.

A Mr. Burke of Bethel was in town, the past week, buying calves.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones visited friends in Norway, last Monday.

Tom Jones sold a yoke of steers and two cows to Howard Charles, last week.

The pouring rain, Sunday night, washed the road quite badly in a good many places.

The Ladies' Circle was entertained by Mrs. Lilla Rice at her home, Tuesday. A nice time was reported.

Elton York sold a fat hog to Austin Hutchins of Albany, last week, and carried it to Norway, Monday, to be shipped.

The schools commenced, Monday, with the following teachers: Lizzie Lasselle of Norway in the advanced and Ida Abbott in the primary.

The Rev. Miss C. E. Angell of Norway delivered a very interesting address to the two lodges, namely Oxford Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Evergreen Lodge, D. R. Quite a good attendance in spite of the rainy weather.

The Rebekahs gave an entertainment to the children, last Saturday evening, at their hall. Reading, recitations, games, etc., made a very pleasant program for the evening. Refreshments were served consisting of different kinds of frosted cake and doughnuts out in many fancy shapes to please the little ones, with plenty of nice lemonade for drink. All went home feeling that they had had a delightful time.

UPTON.

Mr. Choate is securing a few sheep, this spring.

Lumen and William Sargent are trapping muskrats.

We regret to state that Miss C. E. Godwin is not so well.

Mr. Durkee of Lake House has been to Bethel, for a few days, to see his son, Woodsum Jordan is quite feeble since his return from the hospital.

Oscar Morse is cutting steamboat wood to be landed at Sunday Cove.

Julia Jordan and Annie Chase called at A. W. Judkins', one day last week.

James Bernier is getting ready for Mr. Brewster as he is expected by the 10th.

The town meeting mentioned in a former paper was an utter failure on account of a defective warrant.

Who knows what the wild cat, on which is a bounty of two dollars, really is? I have heard quite a number of old hunters who have hunted and trapped all their lives say they do not know of anything of that species in Maine.

HARRISON.

Grace Washburn has gone to West Paris to work.

Mrs. Alice Pitts is at the eye and ear infirmary, Portland, being treated for her eyes.

Mrs. Albert Cummings is visiting a brother in Massachusetts. She will also visit her son Milan who is turning up at Portland jail.

Eben Kneeland has sold his place to Sam Stuart. Mr. Kneeland is soon to move to Massachusetts, when Mr. Stuart will move on the place.

Most of the schools in town commenced, Monday of this week. The village teachers are, grammar, Nellie Stone of Oxford; primary, Miss Alice of Cumberland Mills.

Mrs. M. Lombard is convalescing.

Mrs. Alanson Dawes is able to sit up.

Mr. Phebe Kilbourn has been ill from la grippe.

Business seems rushing just now at the chair factory.

Our jeweler, Wentworth, is making repairs on his residence by treating it to a coat of paint.

Mrs. Jessie Field has been in Lewiston, for a few days, returning to her home on Monday.

C. S. Whitney is giving work to a large crew, and of late Frank Howard of Waterford has enlisted with him.

Our stage driver reports fairly good roads from Bridgton to Norway. We noticed one woman on the stage, Thursday night.

O you ought to see the smelts in Bear brook. The Norway people will tell you all about it. Their catches have been large during the rain.

Near our village lives a Hoyt family, or at least in summer, but migrate in winter, leaving the place in care of Gran Morrison. During a snow storm, last March, he noticed some tracks leading from a window and found by examination that they compared with John Whitney's of our village, and an arrest was made on April 24. Whitney was bound over to the supreme court.

EAST BROWNFIELD.

Mrs. Alice Warren is quite sick with a heart trouble.

The schools of Brownfield commenced, the present week, May 3d.

Mrs. Smyth Gray is not expected to live but a few days at most.

Hattie Eastman of Danbury, N. H. has been visiting friends in this place.

Winslow Kent of Baldwin has engaged to work for L. A. Bradbury at his mill.

Mrs. Will Greenlaw and baby of Boston are visiting friends in this vicinity.

Addie Greenlaw has returned home from Boston where she has spent the winter.

Rev. E. P. Eastman of Danbury has been engaged to give the memorial day address at Brownfield.

A tramp took lodging in a freight car at Brownfield, one night the past week, and burned a large hole in the floor where he built a fire to warm himself.

We hear that James Hill has sold his place at East Brownfield to Charles Spring. It is expected that Mr. Spring will take possession and set up shop, keeping at once, judging from appearances.

L. A. Bradbury has a new invention of his own for churning staves, which he thinks will be a success, and hopes to get patented soon. He is now there pleased to show it to all who will call at his mill.

SOUTH RUMFORD.

Married, May 1st, at Rumford Falls, Fremont Abbott of South Rumford and Emma Taylor of Roxbury. Mr. and Mrs. Fremont Abbott gave a reception at his father's, Erasmus Abbott's, Saturday evening, May 1st. About twenty-five of the neighbors were present and were entertained with instrumental and vocal music and stereoscopic views given by the talented brothers, Lee and Fremont Abbott. A fine treat of candy and peanuts was passed around.

SWEDEN.

Emma Knight, who has been an invalid for the past twenty-five years, was taken with la grippe some two weeks ago, pneumonia set in and caused her death in a few hours. Although her health has been very poor, especially for the past fifteen years, yet she has never been idle. Her last work was drawing a very pretty rug for her sister, Mrs. Susan Moore.

She realized after being sick a few days that she would never be any better. She called her brothers and sisters to her bedside and looking up towards heaven, becoming with her hands, says to them, "Go home with me." She will be greatly missed by the whole family and especially by her mother and her brother Edwin as they have always been with her, caring for her every want. We, her neighbors and friends, deeply sympathize with the family and especially with the aged mother on whom the loss rests most heavily. Her age was 46 years.

Mrs. Alvin Pike is still on the gaining hand.

Addison Kneeland is at Winfield S. Stevens'.

A. H. Whitehouse has just reshingled his house.

M. E. Perry is at work on the drive in Trull brook.

Wilber Wilson is to be Frank Durgin's right hand man.

A. H. Whitehouse had apple trees delivered, Saturday.

Ben. Knight is at work for John Whitcomb of Waterford.

John Jewell is at work for Frank Morse at Waterford.

Mrs. Aaron Woodbury, who has been quite poorly, is improving.

Mrs. Geo. R. Kimball and children have returned to North Bridgton.

Mrs. Lincoln Woodbury of Brighton, Mass., is visiting at J. W. Chute's.

Chas. M. Evans' little son, who was quite sick, the past week, is better.

The M. E. Sunday school is to be reorganized, Sunday, May 10th, at 1 p. m.

Our first electric shower this season was, Monday about noon. It just poured.

The school board have treated the schoolhouse in district No. 2 to new shingles.

Mark McLucas, Chas. H. Spears and Will Richardson are cutting cord wood for Will Flint.

It is pleasant to see a light in the Smart home again. We are glad Hugh is to be there, this summer.

We are pleased to learn that Spencer Parker is moving back to his farm in No. 8, Lovell, from Cumberland Mills.

The Rev. G. W. Barber conducted services at the M. E. church, Sunday at 2 p. m. The rain prevented a large congregation.

C. W. Bennett is improving his house with new windows. They look fine with Mrs. Bennett's beautiful plants in blossom on the side of them.

The selectmen have newly shingled the townhouse and are now painting the outside and blinds. Master workman, O. R. Maxwell. L. S. Plummer and Will Buswell are assisting him.

Our schools are all in session. Miss Stevens of Windham teaches the Flint school; Windham Kneeland of South Waterford at Norway; Cora and Marie Kneeland of South Waterford, the Haskell school.

Our farmers are trimming their fruit trees, grafting and burning their brush, plowing and getting ready to farm in earnest. Some in this section plant sweet corn for the Harrison corn factory, this season.

Geo. Grover, after a long illness, passed away on Thursday, April 29th. The obsequies were conducted by Rev. D. B. Holt of Bridgton, Sunday at 1 p. m., at his late residence. He leaves a wife (nee Dora Flint), two adopted daughters, two brothers, James of Pennsylvania and Alvin of Cumberland Mills, four sisters, besides a large number of near relatives and friends. Mrs. Harriman of Norway, Mrs. Merrill of Chatham, and Mrs. Spencer Parker of Cumberland Mills and Joseph Parker and wife of Lovell were at the services. Sickness prevented his sister, Mrs. Barnes of Lovell, being present. The sister in Montana and brother in Pennsylvania were not there, distance preventing. Interment in the Flint cemetery.

MASON.

H. G. Mason if visiting in Norway.

Our sick ones are all out of danger.

Eugene Prescott of West Bethel was in town, last Sunday.

Mrs. Roscoe Mason of Berlin, N. H., is visiting friends in town.

Moody Scribner of Albany is the new engineer at A. S. Bean's mill.

A. S. Bean and Alden Mason of West Bethel were in town, Monday.

The summer school commenced, Monday, Lizzie Grover of Bethel, teacher.

Edison and David Cummings of Bethel visited their sister at F. I. Bean's, last Sunday.

L. T. Barker and Fred Gordon of Bethel were in town, the past week, looking for a cow.

Mrs. Charles F. Brown and daughter Fannie returned, Saturday, from a week's visit to her sister Almira at Westbrook.

We learn that Asa Prescott has left the employ of A. S. Bean at his steam mill and will move to Massachusetts, soon. He has been in Mr. Bean's employ, 18 years.

Edmund T. Mains of Otisfield, formerly of Fryeburg Academy Grant called on old friends and neighbors, last Saturday. He is 36 years old and can walk a mile easier than many who are many years younger.

Ervin Hutchinson's and Payson Philbrook's dogs got into the flock of sheep of Alpheus Lovejoy, one day the past week, and killed two lambs and bit several others. Philbrook's dog was licensed, those of S. O. Grover being the two.

Pleasant Valley Grange met at their hall at West Bethel, last Saturday p. m. Grange opened in fourth degree. After routine business, three candidates were initiated in the 1st and 2d degrees. The Grange will shingle their building, this week, and do other repair work on their hall.

HARTFORD.

Suckers are running.

Scott Howard has a new horse.

George Brown has bought a horse.

Mrs. E. Moody is at work at George Brown's.

H. Davis and son Verne of North Auburn are visiting Lon Cox.

Earle Howard of East Peru is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Ellura Oldham.

Alice Hadley is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harker Davis, of Sumner.

ANDOVER.

R. L. Melcher is building a new stable for himself.

The farmers are doing something on their land, this week.

Oscar Damon is painting the Hardy house for H. W. Suter.

The King's Daughters meet with Mrs. R. A. Grover, this week.

Will Perkins has commenced his summer work for H. W. Suter.

School commenced in No. 4, Monday, May 3, Alice Bedell, teacher.

L. F. Jones has let his farm to E. E. Caldwell for the coming year.

Emory Hutchins and wife are at work for Fred Barker at Camp Bonis.

There will be a temperance meeting in the hall, next Monday evening.

Walter Hanson has gone to Boston to work for Leslie Akers in his store.

Frank Akers and Jim Clifford are to work for H. V. Poor, this summer.

Fred Smith is making an addition to his house in the shape of a new piazza.

Mrs. John Hewey entertained the ladies' circle, Wednesday evening of this week.

William C. Johnston is to lecture on Criminals and the State Prison, Crime and its various phases, in the town hall, Saturday evening, May 8th.

The commissioners of inland fisheries and game are to hold a public hearing in the hall, on Friday evening, the 7th, in regard to closing the brooks for fishing certain days in the week.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

H. Billings is painting his house.

We are glad to see Mrs. T. Swan out again.

Schools in this vicinity commenced, last Monday.

H. Noble is in poor health again. W. Haynes has a bad cold.

The Oxford Central Railroad surveyors got into town, Friday, making their final survey. We understand the terminus of the road is to be on the so-called Hagwood lot in front of the post-office.

Bear Mt. Grange hold their regular meeting, Saturday evening, May 8th. We understand quite a number of new candidates are coming in.

There was a small attendance at the whist party and the Calico Ball at Harrison. The prizes were awarded to Will Haynes for the gentlemen, M. Monroe getting the ladies. There is to be another one in two weeks. Mrs. Ella Green and Gertrude Whitcomb entertained.

DIXFIELD.

Harrison Harvey, esq., the well-known school teacher, is improving in health, we are glad to note.

G. H. Newman, esq., was up to the village, Saturday, and returned for two months, has been very sick with the grip.

Nellie Abbott and Iona Harlow have opened a millinery and dry goods store in the brick store formerly occupied by Ed Washburn.

National House, the new landlords at the corner of West Duluth, Minn., have arrived in town and Mr. Weld intends to open a law office in our village.

J. J. Holman planted a piece of early potatoes, two weeks ago. We predict that John will be selling new potatoes, 4th of July, for a good round price too.

We are much interested in the Oxford Central R. R. and hope it is a decided fact and the writer intends to be one of the passengers on the first train from Norway to North Waterford, and hope the Forest House will still be open to travelers. Many are the pleasant evenings I have spent in that house, listening to John Rice's stage yarns and enjoying his open fire-place. Few are the landlords who can entertain their guests better than John.

EAST HEBRON.

Mrs. H. N. Merrill is failing, daily.

Dandelion greens are now on the bill of fare.

Moses Snell's little daughter is sick with gripple.

John Davis from Lynn were in the place, last week.

Algermon Staples is keeping bachelor's hall in the C. M. Keene house.

Erastus Hayes recently bought a horse of Jonas Edwards.

Geo. W. Packard has hired the pasture of C. L. Hodson and is fencing the same.

B. C. Keene is rushing the work on his barn, has five hands on beside his home help.

Mrs. O. N. Jenkins of North Auburn is assisting in the work at her brother's, H. N. Merrill's.

L. W. Marshall and family returned from Deerfield, where they passed the winter, last Thursday.

Frank Saunders has generously treated his friends with delicious greenings and Clark Foster has furnished them with Tollman Sweetings.

U. G. Keene has engaged to run the Buckfield road machine, this season. He moves to the place recently sold by Mrs. Uldah Merrill.

F. Wolf, a trader from Turner, has established a grocery route through this place, coming Mondays to solicit orders, delivers goods Thursday. He is selling fine groceries much lower than in this vicinity they can be bought.

Last Saturday, the following officers were elected in Sure Haven Lodge, I. O. G. T.:

C. T. Rogers.

C. T. Mrs. B. Phillips.

V. T. Mrs. F. Sanderson.

Sec. Mrs. T. E. Merrill.

J. T. Miss M. E. Merrill.

Sec. Mrs. T. E. Keene.

Treas. May Phillips.

Mar. P. Merrill.

Chas. F. Saunders.

Guard, W. Bradbury.

Sen. S. B. Brown.

SOUTH OTISFIELD.

E. B. Jilson is building an addition to his house.

Geo. E. Brooks has hired for the sea with E. B. Jilson.

Fletcher Scribner has gone to Portland, to work for the Government.

Geo. C. Jilson, who is attending Bridgton Academy, was at home over Sunday.

Joseph Stebbins, who had his leg broken, last February, by being kicked by a horse, is able to walk without the use of a cane.

GILEAD.

Josiah Heath has been quite ill, recently.

Bert Hanson run up to Gorham, over Sunday.

Hastings' drive, also Thomas' drive were at the bridge, Sunday.

Mrs. J. F. Guphill is going to Auburn to work for Mrs. D. R. Hastings.

E. R. Bennett is finishing off his dwelling for an increased number of summer boarders.

Jim DeCoster, Herbert Cole and Fred Giddens got a good string of suckers, last Friday night.

A good civil time at the May night dance, probably due to the new law and constable Austin's presence.

Geo. Merrow of West Bethel is the village teacher. School commenced, April 26. Mr. Merrow boards at home, using the bike.

Who is the traveling rum shop? The party being best on the lookout on constable Austin is on their track, and the new law is a strong one.

EAST BUCKFIELD.

Amanda Flagg is at work for Adelbert Dunn.

Willie Cobb has sold his old hog to Mr. Jordan.

Miss Newton will teach the school at East Buckfield.

Grass has started and looks very green for the time of year.

Mrs. V. P. DeCoster is visiting her mother in Turner, Mrs. Hooper.

Virginia DeCoster is stopping with her brother, V. P. DeCoster, caring for her mother.

S. C. Tuttle and Eliza A. Record have planted peas and several more will plant the coming week.

Adelbert Dunn is having his buildings treated with paint. Florian Jordan and sons are doing the work.

May 3d, Mrs. Daniel Tuttle will commence school on the mountain and board with her cousin, Mrs. Cora Whitman.

Justus Mason is carpentering for Charlie Tuttle in his store. Mr. Tuttle is making great improvement inside his store.

Mrs. John Damon is improving in health. Bradbury Damon is sick with fever. They have had sickness in his family for a long time.

NORWAY LAKE.

Mrs. C. A. Stephens is quite ill with gripple.

Mrs. Jennie Moody is visiting at J. Q. Partridge's.

Mrs. Edith Frost visited at David Flood's, Tuesday.

Mr. Kneeland and wife moved into their house, last week.

J. F. Bradbury's health is improving a little since the weather became warmer, so that he can get out of doors more.

Mrs. Hazell is making improvements on her place, finishing rooms and painting inside and out and setting out trees on each side of the driveway from the main road up to the house.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Snow fell all day, Apr. 27.

F. A. Flint has his timber out of Abbot brook.

J. W. Clark is able to be out of doors, pleasant days.

Sarah S. Bennett was elected supervisor by the school board.

J. W. Bucknam is giving his son Walter's buildings a new coat of paint.

H. G. Benson, who got quite badly hurt, a week since, on a jam in the Abbot brook, is gaining.

No mail, Tuesday, as the road between the two towns was not passable for teams on account of the high water.

SOUTH ALBANY.

T. Burke of Bethel was in this place after live calves, last week.

John Mason is finishing off a kitchen and some chambers in his house.

Preston Flint has engaged to work for the Widow Flint, the coming season.

Orin Flint and wife of Norway visited at his mother's, Mrs. Anna Flint's, last week.

Merritt Savin and Bert Bird have been to Harrison, shearing sheep. Mr. S. has sheared 167 sheep, the past week.

George Abbott has bought a horse of Frank Andrews of Norway to take the place of "old Jennie," which he had laid away, last week.

NORTHWEST ALBANY.

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